## **EXHIBIT B**

April 23, 2025

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1	IN THE U	NITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2	FOR THE	MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
3		MACON DIVISION
4	ROGER PARKER, ON	I HIS OWN
5	BEHALF AND ON BE	HALF OF ALL Case No. 5:22-cv-00268-TES
6	OTHERS SIMILARLY	SITUATED,
7	Plaint	iff,
8	vs.	
9	PERDUE FOODS, LI	JC,
10	Defend	lant.
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12		VOLUME I
13	VIDEORECORDED	30(b)(6) AND INDIVIDUAL DEPOSITION OF
14	PARKER'S F	OULTRY EQUIPMENT AND ROGER PARKER,
15		(Via Videoconference)
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17	DATE:	Wednesday, April 23, 2025
18	TIME:	10:02 a.m.
19	LOCATION:	Ogletree Deakins Nash
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20		300 North Main Street
		The Ogletree Building, Suite 500
21		Greenville, South Carolina
22	TAKEN BY:	Counsel for the Defendant
23	REPORTED BY:	Elaine L. Grove-DeFreitas,
		Independent Professional Reporter
24		(Via Videoconference)
	VIDEOTAPED BY:	Kevin Day
25		(Via Videoconference)

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Q. Have you produced a lot of documents
regarding your former growing business with Perdue
in this case?
A. I gave them what I had, yes.
Q. Have you reviewed any documents that
Perdue has produced in this case?
A. I could have. I don't really know
who who sent what. You know, sometimes I
remember documents, but I don't know who gave them.
Q. Okay. Now, other than this lawsuit, you
were also a party in a foreclosure action with First
Financial Bank. Is that right?
A. Yeah. I had to go through being
bankrupt.
Q. Okay. We will talk about the
bankruptcy, but do you remember a foreclosure action
by First Financial Bank where you were named as a
party in the lawsuit when they were foreclosing on
your properties?
A. That was, I thought, the bankruptcy
part. But I guess so, yeah. I didn't know there

- Q. Were you represented by a lawyer in that action?
  - A. No. Not that I know of. I had a lawyer

was a difference.

- A. I'm assuming -- I mean, I really don't know. I honestly don't know. Because when I left the farm -- she left the farm last, and I really don't know what was left or what was not left.
- Q. Okay. Have you saved -- since you filed your lawsuit, have you saved all documents you believe are relevant to the claims in this case?
  - A. To my knowledge, yes.
- Q. Okay. Is it your understanding that you have an obligation to save all documents that are relevant to this case?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. We went over your Poultry

  Producer Agreements with Perdue last time. And I

  will show you those again here shortly. But just to

  clarify, do you recall when the first date was when

  you first signed a Poultry Producer Agreement with

  Perdue?
- A. I know -- I think 2006, if I am -- if I remember right, it's 2006.
- Q. And which location was that in connection with?
- A. The Hillsboro farm was purchased before the other farm, so that's what I'm thinking, it was 2006.

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- Q. Did you first start accepting flocks in 2006 or was there a period of time from when you signed the agreement to when you first started taking flocks?
- A. I know I met with them and we signed an agreement. And then I can't remember how long it was, but after that. It might have been a while, a few months, you know, to close the loan or whatever. I'm sure it was before I grew.
- Q. Before you were a grower with Perdue you worked with ConAgra and Seaboard. Is that right?
  - A. Yeah.
- Q. I know we talked about this a little before. And you started growing with Seaboard in the 1980s. Is that right?
  - A. I believe so, yeah.
- Q. Okay. And I believe you testified before that you were a 1099 independent contractor with them at one point. Is that right?
  - A. I believe so, yeah.
- Q. Okay. Did you sign a Poultry Producer Agreement or similar Independent Contractor Agreement with Seaboard when you were a 1099 independent contractor?
  - A. I don't remember an Independent

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1	Contractor Agreement. I know I signed a contract.
2	Q. Do you remember what provisions were in
3	the contract?
4	A. Just growing you know, basically,
5	growing chickens. I would grow chickens for them.
6	Q. Were you required to comply with certain
7	biosecurity standards when you were a 1099
8	contractor with Seaboard?
9	A. Biosecurity. I don't remember them
10	saying anything about biosecurity back then.
11	Q. Were you subject to any guidelines
12	any animal welfare guidelines with Seaboard?
13	A. I don't think so. We took care of the
14	chickens, if that's what you're saying. You know,
15	we
16	Q. Did you sorry. Go ahead.
17	A. I'm sorry. No.
18	Q. Do you recall getting any sort of
19	documents regarding animal care, equipment, housing,
20	when you were with Seaboard?
21	A. Now, I met with the field people, but I
22	don't remember anything coming out, like do this or
23	do that, you know, with with Seaboard.
24	Q. Okay. When you were with Seaboard did
25	management visit your farm from time to time to

Page 34 1 check on the chickens? 2 Α. Yes, ma'am. 3 How often did they do that? Ο. 4 Sometimes once a month, sometimes twice Α. It's not -- you know, just different 5 a month. 6 times. 7 And what was your understanding of why Q. 8 they were coming out to your farm? 9 Α. The field man come by and tested to see how the birds were doing, as far as size and weight 10 11 and things like that. 12 Ο. If they discovered any issues as a result of their visit, how were those handled? 13 14 Α. If they discovered any issues, normally 15 they would say something to me, you know, if there 16 was something -- I can't remember a time, but, you 17 know, I'm sure they did. 18 Ο. Do you recall having to make various improvements to your houses back with Seaboard when 19 20 you were an independent contractor? 21 We grew for them a long time and I Α. No. don't think --22 23 How many houses did you have when you Ο. 24 grew with them?

We started with two and then later built

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1	two more. So it's part of the time two, part of the
2	time four.
3	Q. Okay. How were you compensated when you
4	were an independent contractor grower with Seaboard?
5	A. Yeah. When I had a contract with them?
6	Q. Uh-huh. Yes.
7	A. Say that again so I make sure I got the
8	question right.
9	Q. Sure. I can ask it differently if it
10	would help.
11	A. All right.
12	Q. Are you familiar with the term
13	"tournament system"?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. Were you compensated under a similar
16	tournament system when you were with Seaboard?
17	A. I don't I don't know that I was or
18	wasn't. I don't think so. It wasn't it wasn't
19	anything like Perdue has, I don't think.
20	Q. Okay. And at some point you became a
21	grower with ConAgra. Is that right?
22	A. Yes, ma'am.
23	Q. Okay. And before that, real fast, you
24	grew with Seaboard about ten years. Is that right?
25	A. Yeah. I believe it was, yeah.

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1	Q. And then you were a grower with ConAgra
2	for five or six years. Is that right?
3	A. Yes, ma'am.
4	Q. How many flocks did you accept when you
5	were with ConAgra?
6	A. Like per year? Per
7	Q. Per year.
8	A. Usually five to six, sometimes seven.
9	Q. Do you recall how you were compensated
10	when you were a grower with ConAgra?
11	A. I believe, given a check.
12	Q. Was it based on bird weight? Or do you
13	recall what the basis for your check was?
14	A. So much per pound is my understanding.
15	Q. Did it work similar to your compensation
16	with Perdue?
17	A. No, ma'am.
18	Q. Okay. How was it different?
19	A. Well, with the tournament system
20	everything is different. I don't remember ever
21	being pitted against anyone else to grow with them.
22	And with the system that Perdue has
23	you're given baby birds, sometimes from an old hen
24	to a young hen, and that's a big difference on how

they perform.

You're given different type birds that you don't know what you're growing. Some like air, some don't like air. All these factors are going to come into how you grow.

Sometimes you're given more feed. You have got three types of feed, starter, finisher and grower. And sometimes if you're given -- because I had two farms I could know how much feed of each one was given. Sometimes you would get better feed, because you would get more of the better feed than other times.

And then you were -- as you grew and the birds got larger you then -- you know, it was similar about the catch times and stuff like that was, you know, almost the same, but the rest of it was a good bit different.

- Q. Okay. So my question was, were you compensated similarly, and your answer is "No." Is that right?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Did you operate as an independent contractor grower with ConAgra?
- A. I had a contract with ConAgra. I didn't feel -- you know, I don't really know how to answer that. But I had a contract.

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1	Q. Did you feel as though you were treated
2	as an independent contractor with ConAgra?
3	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
4	THE WITNESS: Yeah, I don't think so. I
5	mean, it's a total different field, two different
6	companies.
7	BY MS. SANTEN:
8	Q. Okay. And why do you feel like you
9	weren't treated as an independent contractor with
10	ConAgra?
11	A. I didn't have the near the
12	regulations and oversight and daily, you know,
13	things to accomplish as far as the amount of stuff
14	that I needed done.
15	Q. My question was, why did you feel like
16	you were not treated as an independent contractor
17	with ConAgra?
18	A. Oh. I thought you were comparing the
19	two.
20	Q. No. ConAgra.
21	A. Say it again. Independent contractor
22	with ConAgra.
23	Q. Yeah. You said you felt like you
24	weren't treated as an independent contractor with

ConAgra.

- A. Oh. With them. With ConAgra. My bad. My bad. I misunderstood the question.
- Well, I didn't -- I guess without comparing the two it's hard to get the answer because it was just a different environment.
- Q. Do you believe you were not treated as an independent contractor with ConAgra?
  - A. I didn't feel that way.
- Q. Okay. And with ConAgra only, why do you feel like you weren't treated as an independent contractor?
- A. Again, I didn't have somebody -- I didn't have the same regimen, the same -- and back in that situation I just didn't -- I just didn't have anybody on -- you know, on me as far as controlling every little thing, you know?
- Q. Okay. My question is -- and please listen carefully because I want to make sure you're responding to my question -- why do you think you were not treated as an independent contractor with ConAgra? We are not talking about Perdue. With ConAgra --
  - A. With ConAgra, yeah.
- Q. -- why did you feel like you weren't treated as an independent contractor?

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- Page 40 1 Α. Again, it's the oversight difference. Ι 2 didn't have anybody on me every -- you know, like 3 boom, boom, boom. 4 So you didn't feel like you were treated O. 5 as an independent contractor with ConAgra because 6 you didn't have anybody over you? Is that right? 7 I wasn't -- in comparison to the Α. 8 two, looking back, I wasn't -- I didn't have 9 somebody -- if that's what you're saying, yes. 10 My question is, why do you feel No. 11 like you weren't treated as an independent 12 contractor with ConAgra? We are not talking about 13 Perdue. We are not talking about comparing the two.
  - A. I get that.
  - Q. With ConAgra do you feel like you were treated as an independent contractor?
  - A. No. And I don't -- I don't know how an independent contractor is supposed to be treated in the poultry industry, so that's why I'm having trouble answering your questions.
  - Q. Okay. Did you ever bring a lawsuit against ConAgra about the way you were treated?
    - A. No.
  - Q. Okay. Were you required to comply with ConAgra -- I'm not talking about Perdue. When you

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Page 41 1 were a grower with ConAgra were you required to 2 comply with any sort of animal welfare 3 specifications? 4 Α. They let you grow pretty much, I mean, independently if you -- I mean, they would give you 5 6 suggestions as field people, you know, to help you, but that was about it. It wasn't -- it wasn't a 7 8 mandatory -- you know, it wasn't -- it was just 9 different. 10 Ο. Did you have management come visit your 11 farm when you were a grower with ConAgra? "Management" meaning a field supervisor? 12 Α. 13 Yes, ma'am. 14 And how often did they do that? Ο. Okav. 15 Once a month, maybe twice a month. Α. 16 What was your understanding of the Ο. 17 purpose of their visits? 18 Α. To check on the birds, the sizes and, 19 you know, turn in numbers, you know, how -- they 20 would tell them how big the bird was going to be for 21 production. You know -- you know, just general oversight, I guess. 22 I don't know. 23 Did you ever have to make any

improvements to your houses when you were a grower

with ConAgra?

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had disease or something inside the house they would bring me medication and stuff for, you know, whatever it was.

And issues inside the house, I don't remember having issues inside the house. But if that did come up, I'm sure that they could have said something to help me, you know?

- Q. Did you ever have to make any improvements to your houses before they gave you any additional flocks with ConAgra?
  - A. No. Never.
  - Q. Okay. So before you --
- A. We were their top grower. I mean -- I'm sorry. Go ahead.
  - Q. That's okay.

So before you came to work with Perdue you had about fifteen years as a grower. Is that right?

- A. Somewhere in that line, yes.
- Q. And in your prior deposition you testified that when you came to Perdue and purchased the Hillsboro farm, the farm was in working order when you took it over. Is that right?
  - A. The Hillsboro farm?
  - Q. Uh-huh. Correct.

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- A. Yeah. They -- Perdue has people do the upgrade, you know, before purchase. Or during purchase you have options to do it. Either way, it has to be done and has to be up to the tier, whatever tier system -- they had a tier system, tier 1, 2, 3 and 4. Well, 4 came later. But, you know, you had to meet whatever tier it was at that time. And the amount of specific equipment had to be made and all criteria meet that tier.

  Q. And did you buy this Hillsboro farm and
- Q. And did you buy this Hillsboro farm and start working with Perdue with your ex-wife Gail Parker at that time?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Given your experience, did you feel like you had a pretty good idea of what was involved in being a grower?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: In comparison, I had no idea what I was getting into.

BY MS. SANTEN:

- Q. Okay. Your ex-wife testified that given your extensive experience, you all had a pretty good idea of what you were getting into. Is that not right?
  - A. That's not right.

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1	really. We were just I felt we were there just
2	to, you know, facilitate.
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. Okay. You talked, in your prior
5	deposition, about needing to make upgrades to that
6	Hillsboro farmhouse pretty shortly after you
7	purchased it. First of all, do you recall what you
8	purchased the Hillsboro farm for?
9	A. If I remember, it was 1.3 million.
10	Q. Okay. How did you finance the purchase
11	of that?
12	A. Through the bank, First Financial.
13	Q. Could you determine what bank you wanted
14	to use to finance?
15	A. Did I determine
16	Q. Could you determine what bank you wanted
17	to use to finance?
18	A. I could. They suggested which one I
19	use, but, you know
20	Q. Okay. How many houses were how many
21	chicken houses were on the Hillsboro farm when you
22	purchased it?
23	A. Five.
24	Q. Five. Okay. In your last deposition
25	you talked about needing to make upgrades to those

houses shortly after you purchased the farm. What upgrades did you have to make at that time?

A. I had to extend the cool cell and curtain and add -- if I'm remembering, I think it was a fan, add a fan to the back, a 52-inch.

I'm trying to think of what else. I was thinking it was something else to do with ventilation, but I just can't remember what all was on that list.

- Q. Do you recall how much money you had to spend in those upgrades?
  - A. I would -- I'm thinking around 25,000.
  - Q. And why did you make those upgrades?
- A. Perdue has -- had gone to tier 4 -- or tier 3, I think. I can't remember which tier.

  Don't hold me to it. And that was the only way to get a raise.

When I got my first check it was \$7,000 and didn't cover the gas, and so I had to do something because I knew I was -- had no -- no other income at the time.

- Q. So if you wanted to make more money, you felt you had to go to tier 4. Is that right?
- A. That was the only way with them. Yeah.

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1	cost-of-living increase.
2	Q. When you were a grower with Perdue could
3	you grow other livestock on your farm?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Okay. Did you do that when you were a
6	grower?
7	A. I had some cows. Yes, I did.
8	Q. Do you recall how long you did that?
9	A. Four cows came or stayed with the
10	farm when the owner left. And they just you
11	know, whatever they had, calves, and then it went
12	from there. I never bought a cow.
13	Q. Did you make income from the cows?
14	A. From selling the cows, I believe we did
15	early on, yeah.
16	Q. Do you recall how much you made from
17	that?
18	A. No, ma'am. It was just we would sell
19	them a few hundred dollars apiece, but I don't know
20	what was made.
21	Q. Let me just look at one thing. Well, we
22	will look at it later since I don't have it.
23	Okay. Did you ever add more houses to
24	the Hillsboro farm during the time that you owned
25	it?

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1	Q. What did the bank say to you?
2	A. Well, they just looked at the numbers
3	and the cash flow and said it wouldn't cash flow.
4	Q. Okay. Did you try to get financing from
5	anywhere else?
6	A. No. I couldn't, not without refinancing
7	the whole farm.
8	Q. Okay. Then at some point you decided to
9	buy another farm. Is that right?
10	A. Yes. Later, after doing upgrades on the
11	farm, the guy was about to lose the farm, I think.
12	Yeah. I don't know for sure. I don't know what the
13	stipulations were with him, but it's my
14	understanding he was he hadn't had it but a year
15	or so or two years and was about to lose you
16	know, lose the farm.
17	Q. Did you buy the farm from him directly
18	or did you mortgage with a bank?
19	A. I mortgaged with a bank.
20	Q. Okay. And that was in Milledgeville.
21	Right?
22	A. Yes, ma'am.
23	Q. Was that 2014 or 2015? Is that right?
24	A. No. I think it was 2009, if I remember.
25	I don't know. I'm thinking it was I don't know.

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1	I would have to go back and look at the dates. I
2	guess I'm confused on that.
3	Q. In your prior deposition you said that
4	you purchased that around 2014 or 2015.
5	A. Yeah. I don't I really, now that I
6	look back at some of the dates, I think it might
7	have been '9.
8	Q. Okay. Did you sign a separate contract
9	in connection with that purchase, a separate Poultry
10	Producer Agreement with Perdue?
11	A. I believe it was, yeah.
12	Q. Okay. And how much did you buy the
13	Milledgeville farm for?
14	A. I think it was 980-something. 980,000.
15	Right at a million dollars.
16	Q. Did you finance that purchase with First
17	Financial Bank as well?
18	A. I did.
19	Q. Could you have financed that with
20	another bank if you wanted to?
21	A. Possibly. I didn't try.
22	Q. If you had the cash, could you have
23	bought it with cash?
24	A. Sure.
25	Q. And that was a mortgage. Right? So you

Page 53 1 were responsible for the payments and you were 2 responsible if there was a default. Is that 3 correct? 4 Α. Yes. 5 Was that the same with the prior loan Ο. It was like a mortgage, so you were 6 you took? 7 responsible for the payments. Correct? 8 Say that again now. Prior --9 0. With the Hillsboro house and the loan you took to secure the Hillsboro house, you were 10 11 responsible for those payments. Right? 12 Α. Yeah. I was responsible for payment on 13 both. 14 O. And if you defaulted, you were Okay. 15 responsible for whatever happened. Is that right? 16 Α. Yes. 17 Okay. Did you and Gail purchase both of O. 18 those farms, both Hillsboro and Milledgeville 19 together? 20 Α. Yes. 21 And when you purchased Milledgeville, I 0. 22 think, before, you said there were six houses on 23 that property. Is that right? 24 Α. There were. 2.5 Q. Why did you decide to purchase a second

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- A. Well, if you -- there was -- like where I had five or four houses and had an income, that was six houses with less money to pay on the payment. So the income was, you know -- profit-to-loss ratio, I guess, was better on that particular farm.
- Q. So you viewed it as a way to make some additional money. Right?
- A. Yes, I guess. Yeah. And -- well, you have got to have equipment, and I had the equipment, so I didn't have to buy that again.
- Q. So did you have the equipment from the other farm? Or what did you have the equipment from?
- A. Yeah. I had already equipment for both farms. I would bring it back and forth on my trip.
- Q. When you were deciding whether to buy that farm, what factors were you considering? Were you looking at the potential profitability of that farm and the cost to operate it?
- A. I guess just oversight, knowing that the first farm was not making enough money to survive, I was thinking that the other farm, by buying it -- being a better deal, I guess, if you want to put it

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that way, than the first farm, having six houses versus four after that blew down and -- well, even five. Because five -- it was really like four and a half houses when I bought it. It would be -- it would make it to where, you know, I wouldn't go

- Q. Yeah, I asked, because you said you thought about the profit/loss ratio. So what did you mean when you said you thought about the profit/loss ratio?
- A. Six houses, versus the other farm having less houses. Of course six will bring more in.
- Q. When you said you already had the equipment for both farms, why did you have equipment for both farms when you just owned Hillsboro?
- A. I could take -- I put it in my truck and go back and forth. It was an hour's drive, but I did it.
- Q. So you didn't have to reinvest. So you could use your same equipment from Hillsboro to Milledgeville.
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. And that was your decision, to go back and forth versus buying new equipment. Right?
  - A. Yes, ma'am. I couldn't afford it.

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Page 59 O. Mr. Parker, we are back from a short break. Do you understand you're still under oath? Α. Yes, ma'am. Okay. We were talking about your Ο. decision to buy the Milledgeville farm, before the break, and the six houses that were on it. Did you ever think about adding any more houses to the Milledgeville farm? Α. I don't think so. Okay. And why not? Ο.

- A. Really, I don't think the property needed it, you know?
- Q. Could you have tried to build more houses on that property if you felt the property needed it?
  - A. I believe I could, yeah.
- Q. Okay. We had talked about, and I just want for the record to be clear, when you bought the Hillsboro farm there were some cows or calves and you made certain money when you sold them. Is that right?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. I'm going to show you what we are going to mark as Exhibit 3. And I just want to ask you if this is reflected in this document.

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1	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 3, Farm Only Balance Sheet,
2	was marked)
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. Okay. Do you recognize this document
5	here? And I understand it's not signed, but I will
6	just ask you a few questions about it. What I have
7	handed as Exhibit 3 which is a Farm Only Balance
8	Sheet, Name, Roger D. and Linda G. Parker. Do you
9	recognize this document?
10	A. It looks like a balance sheet off of one
11	of my taxes, I guess. I don't actually recognize
12	it, but
13	Q. Could this be perhaps something that was
14	provided to the bank in connection with your
15	financing?
16	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
17	THE WITNESS: I have no clue.
18	BY MS. SANTEN:
19	Q. Okay. It says here: "Cows, Bulls." Do
20	you kind of see actually, let's go up to the top.
21	And you see, "Livestock & Commodities for Sale."
22	On the left-hand column it says,
23	"Calves, \$600. Total, 3,600." Do you see that?
24	A. Yes, ma'am.
25	Q. Does that appear to be an accurate

Page 61 1 reflection of the amount of money you made from the sale of the calves? 2 3 Α. Apparently, yes. 4 Any reason to believe that's not Ο. 5 accurate? 6 No, not really. Α. 7 And if you go down a little further you Q. 8 see, "Cows, Bulls. Cows, 20, Unit Value." Did you 9 have about twenty cows in connection with that farm? 10 I don't know the year I got it. Α. 11 Is this '13? I wouldn't think I had 12 twenty cows in '13. Well, maybe I did. I don't 13 know. I really don't know. 14 Do you recall making some money in 15 connection with the sale of those cows? 16 I sold cows. I sold them, yeah, I 17 certainly did. 18 Ο. Does 24,000 for the sale of the cows 19 seem accurate? 20 If I sold them all, yeah. Α. Yeah. 21 And then it says, "Bulls 2,000." 0. then it looks like 2,000 for the sale of the bull. 22 23 Does that appear to be accurate? 24 Yeah, I would say so. Α. 2.5 Q. And that was your money to keep.

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1	Correct?
2	A. It was.
3	Q. And Perdue didn't have a problem with
4	you having cows or bulls on your property. Right?
5	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
6	THE WITNESS: We were allowed to have
7	cows.
8	BY MS. SANTEN:
9	Q. Okay. So we talked about the loans you
10	took, and I'm going to ask you about those, with
11	First Financial.
12	Okay. I'm going to hand you some
13	documents we will mark as Exhibit 4.
14	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 4, Commercial Loan
15	Agreements, was marked)
16	BY MS. SANTEN:
17	Q. Okay. Do you recognize these documents?
18	A. Honestly, I don't.
19	Q. Well, let's go through them real fast.
20	It says: "Commercial Loan Agreement." And then the
21	"Borrower: Roger Dale Parker," with an address for
22	Milledgeville. Do you see that?
23	A. I do at the top.
24	Q. Okay. "Linda Gail Parker," with an
25	address for Milledgeville, was that your address?

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1	A. I'm trying to find it here.
2	Q. 897 Highway 24 East, Milledgeville,
3	Georgia 31061?
4	A. Yeah. The Milledgeville farm, yes.
5	Q. Okay. And do you see at the bottom
6	there are some initials at the very bottom right?
7	A. Yeah.
8	Q. Are those your initials?
9	A. I guess so. I can't hardly make it out,
LO	but it looks like it could be.
L1	Q. Okay. And do you see at the bottom
L2	there are some numbers like FFB00467 on the bottom
L3	right?
L <b>4</b>	A. Yes, ma'am.
L5	Q. I might refer to those numbers when I'm
L6	talking about pages, just to help you find the page
L7	that we are talking about.
L8	A. Okay.
L9	Q. So seeing the initials and the address
20	and the Commercial Loan Agreement, let's go to the
21	signature page just to see if you recognize the
22	signature. Go to the last page of this first staple
23	which is FFB00472.
24	A. Okay.

And does that appear to be your

Q.

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1	signature there?
2	A. Yes, ma'am.
3	Q. Okay. So does this appear to be an
4	accurate copy of a loan document you signed with
5	First Financial Bank in connection with a purchase
6	of the Milledgeville farm?
7	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
8	THE WITNESS: It's a Commercial Loan
9	Agreement. That's what it says.
10	BY MS. SANTEN:
11	Q. Okay. So this appears to be a copy of a
12	loan agreement you signed. Correct?
13	A. Yes, ma'am.
14	Q. Okay. And it was for \$20,000. Is that
15	right?
16	A. I believe so, yeah.
17	Q. And this was money you were responsible
18	for that they were loaning you in connection with
19	your farm. Is that right?
20	A. Yes, ma'am.
21	Q. Okay. Let's go to the second document
22	here. It says FFB sorry. I'm on the wrong
23	one 00378 at the bottom. Do you see that?
24	A. Yes, ma'am.
25	Q. It looks like this was for \$935,000, if

Page 65 1 you look at the top left, the note amount. Do you 2 see that? 3 Α. Yes. 4 Okay. And it has your address at 288 Ο. Gordon Road, Hillsboro, Georgia 31038. Is that 5 6 right? 7 Α. Yes, ma'am. 8 Ο. Okay. And go to the last page of this 9 to see if this looks like your signature. Okay. I know I did this. Okay. 10 Α. 11 Now, what page? I'm sorry. Go to FFB00382. Is that your signature? 12 O. 13 Α. It seems to be. 14 Okay. So does this appear to be an Ο. 15 accurate copy of the loan agreement you signed with 16 First Financial Bank to secure the Hillsboro farm? 17 Hillsboro, yes, ma'am. Α. 18 Well, no. Not originally, I don't I think this is the second loan. 19 think. 20 Q. But this is a copy of a loan you Okay. 21 had with First Financial Bank? 22 Α. Yes. Yes. 23 Ο. And this was money you were responsible for paying in connection with that loan. Is that 24 2.5 correct?

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1	A. It was.
2	Q. Okay. And if the property increased in
3	value like a mortgage, you would gain the benefit of
4	that increase in value. Correct?
5	A. If it increased if I sold it, I guess
6	so, yeah.
7	Q. Okay. It works like a mortgage. Right?
8	A. Yeah.
9	Q. Okay. And you believe that this 935 was
10	the second loan. What do you what amount do you
11	think the first loan was for?
12	A. Can we go back to that last one?
13	Q. Sure.
14	A. That could go either way on win or lose.
15	Because there was a loss in this particular one, you
16	know, whenever the stock market fell.
17	Q. So you assumed the risk or loss the
18	risk of loss or potential for profit?
19	A. Yeah. Either way, yeah.
20	Q. Okay. Let me show you what we are going
21	to mark as Exhibit 5.
22	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 5, First Financial Bank Loan
23	Application, was marked)
24	THE WITNESS: Are we through with this
25	one (indicating)?

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1	MS. SANTEN: Yes, we are through with
2	that one.
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. All right. Take a minute to look
5	through that and let me know if you recognize that
6	document.
7	A. Some of the information is blacked out
8	on this one.
9	Q. Do you recognize your signature on these
10	documents?
11	A. I have not got that far ahead.
12	Oh. In this first one, yeah, I see
13	my I was looking for my signature. I did find it
14	here on the front.
15	Q. Have you looked through it? Do you
16	recognize the
17	A. No, I haven't looked through it all yet.
18	I just saw that.
19	Q. Okay. Does that look like your
20	signature on the page that you reviewed?
21	A. On the front?
22	Q. Yes.
23	A. Yes.
24	Q. Okay. Let me know if any of the
25	signatures on here other than your ex-wife's

Page 68 1 signature, the signature for you looks like your 2 signature. 3 Α. All right. Okay. 4 Do those look like your signatures on Ο. these various pages in this document that we have 5 6 marked as Exhibit 5? 7 The ones that had signature, yeah. Α. 8 Ο. Okay. And it looks like this is, on the 9 first page, a Loan Application with First Financial Is that right? 10 Bank. 11 Α. That's what it says. Yeah. 12 Would this have been an application that Ο. you filled out and submitted to First Financial Bank 13 14 in connection with some financing? 15 It says "Loan Application" at the top. 16 Do you see that? 17 Α. Yeah. I was looking at some of the 18 things it said in it, like "upgrades" and stuff like 19 that. 20 Q. Do you remember submitting a loan 21 application to First Financial Bank to seek 22 additional financing for certain upgrades? 23 If I remember right, it was for both farms. But I can't -- I can't -- I don't -- I don't 24

exactly remember what this particular one is for.

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Q. Okay. But you do remember submitting
the Loan Application to First Financial Bank's
Agriculture Lending Division for certain upgrades to
chicken houses. Correct?
A. I'm assuming I did because I have got
this paper.
Q. Okay. Any reason to believe you did not
submit this paper?
A. No, ma'am.
Q. Let me ask you about a few things. On
the first page it says: "Describe Your Loan
Request: " Payoff First Financial Bank loan
number it has a loan number upgrades to six
broiler houses, loan in the amount of 92,000.
Do you have any reason to believe you
did not make that request to First Financial Bank?
A. Which one? Are we talking about the
first one?
Q. Yes, on the very first page.
A. Okay.

- Q. After applicant it says: Describe Your Loan Request. Refinance. Payoff First Financial Bank loan number 120030 -- I think it's 263 -- upgrade to 6 broiler houses.
  - A. Yeah.

Page 70 1 Ο. And the total loan request is 92,000. 2 Do you have any reason to believe you 3 did not make that request to First Financial Bank? 4 Α. If I remember -- what's the date on 5 this? 6 It looks like it was first submitted in 0. 7 September of 2018, according to the next page. 8 Yeah. I was seeking to get water lines. 9 Yeah. Yeah. Okay. 10 So let's go through some of these on 11 And I'm going to direct your attention to the 12 bottom Bates number, the FB00 number. 13 Α. Okay. 14 Go to FB00283 at the bottom, if you Ο. 15 would. 16 Α. Okay. 17 And would you -- do you recognize your Ο. 18 signature on this? 19 Α. Yes. 20 This is a Loan Application from Q. Okay. 21 the Agriculture Lending Division of First Financial 22 Bank dated July 23rd, 2010. And this was signed by 23 you and your ex-wife. Correct? 24 Α. I'm trying to see what the Let me see. amount is.

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1	Q. Describe Your Loan Request. It says:
2	Total: \$935,000. That second box on the page.
3	A. Yeah, I see the description here now.
4	Six 40 by 500 broiler houses, mobile home. Yeah, I
5	see that.
6	Q. Okay. Does this appear to be an
7	accurate copy of a Loan Application you and your
8	ex-wife submitted to First Financial Bank's
9	Agriculture Lending Division in connection with a
10	mortgage you were attempting to take with them?
11	A. Yes, ma'am.
12	Q. Okay. And the amount was \$935,000.
13	Correct?
14	A. Yeah. The purchase of that farm, yeah,
15	I think it was.
16	Q. Okay. Go down to FB00286.
17	A. Okay.
18	Q. It says: "Balance Sheet - Business."
19	"Name: Roger Dale Parker & Linda Gail
20	Parker dba Parker Poultry."
21	"Date: October 28, 2014."
22	Do you recall providing the information
23	on this sheet to First Financial Bank?
24	If you look at "Long Term Assets" there
25	is a number of acres, there is an amount,

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1	liabilities. There are some numbers. Do you recall
2	providing this underlying data to First Financial?
3	A. I don't recall this one, but they did
4	one yearly, I think. And at the end did two, I
5	think, but I can't remember how often.
6	Q. Is this your signature on the bottom of
7	this Balance Sheet - Business?
8	A. Yes, ma'am.
9	Q. Okay. So is it fair to say you reviewed
10	this and signed this, indicating you believed it was
11	accurate?
12	A. Yeah. The bank filled it out, but yeah.
13	Q. Okay. Do you see right above your
14	signature it says: "We certify under penalty of
15	criminal prosecution that all information provided
16	on this form is true and complete to the best of my
17	knowledge?" And then you signed after that
18	statement.
19	A. Yes.
20	Q. Do you see that?
21	A. Yes, ma'am.
22	Q. Okay. So if you go to Long Term Assets
23	it lists a number of acres and broiler houses and
24	Present Value under 3.

If you go to "Total Assets," which is on

Page 73 1 the left-hand column at the bottom, it says: 2 2.005,545 million dollars. So by signing, you were 3 attesting that that was an accurate value of your 4 total assets as of the date you signed, which is October 28, 2014. Correct? 5 6 Α. Apparently, yes. 7 Q. Okay. And the Net Worth that you note 8 here was -- go to the right, right beside that, line 9 9, 174,350. Do you see that? 10 I see that. Α. 11 Ο. Okay. So is that an accurate 12 attestation of your net worth as of October 28, 13 2014? 14 Α. Yeah, I guess it is, yes. 15 Okay. And then your Total Liabilities 16 right above that, 1.83 million and some change, do you see that? 17 18 Α. I do. 19 Is that an accurate attestation Ο. Okay. 20 of your total liabilities as of October 28, 2014? 21 Α. According to the bank, yes. Yeah. 22 And according to what you signed 0. Okay. 23 under the penalty of criminal prosecution as well. 24 Correct? 25 Α. Yeah. They fill it out. I just sign

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1	it. And I had to every year.
2	Q. Okay. But you agree that you signed,
3	under the penalty of criminal prosecution
4	A. Apparently.
5	Q attesting that this is correct.
6	Right?
7	A. Apparently I did, yes.
8	Q. And you do not have any reason to
9	believe this is not correct?
10	A. I don't I didn't have all the
11	numbers. But yes I mean, I'm assuming it is.
12	Q. Okay. Let's go to the next page,
13	FB00287. This looks like another Balance Sheet
14	dated January 8, 2016. Is that your signature
15	below?
16	A. It looks like it.
17	Q. Okay. And do you believe do you have
18	any reason to believe the information on this
19	Balance Sheet is not correct?
20	A. Yeah. I don't know if it is or isn't.
21	Q. Do you have any specific reason to
22	believe this information is not correct?
23	A. No, ma'am, I don't. But I don't it
24	doesn't look like the other one.
25	Q. Okay. Let's go to Total Assets. It

Page 75 1 2.5 million and some change. Do you have any reason to believe that number is not correct as of 2 3 January 8, 2016? Line 4. 4 Α. Oh, okay. Yeah. Apparently it's what 5 it says. 6 Okay. Do you have any reason to believe 0. that number is not correct? 7 8 I'm not an appraiser, but yes, that's fine. 9 10 Ο. Okay. And go to Total Long Term 11 Liabilities, to the right of that it says: 12 1.647,730. Do you have any reason to believe that 13 number is not correct in terms of your Total Long 14 Term Liabilities as of January 8, 2016? 15 No, ma'am, I don't. 16 Okay. And then Total Net Worth on line Ο. 17 9 says: \$746,625. Do you have any reason to 18 believe that that number is not an accurate 19 reflection of your total net worth on January 8, 20 2016? 21 Α. No, ma'am. 22 Okay. And that is about 600,000 higher 23 than your net worth on the page we just looked at in 2014. Was that increase in net worth in connection 24

with your farming business with Perdue?

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1	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
2	THE WITNESS: I have no clue.
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. Did you have any other jobs at that time
5	that could have caused the increase in your net
6	worth?
7	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
8	THE WITNESS: Net worth is based on
9	things you have. Right?
10	BY MS. SANTEN:
11	Q. Right.
12	A. Not jobs. So I don't quite understand.
13	Q. So if you go to the prior page we just
14	looked at, your net worth was 174,300. And you
15	agreed, as of October 28, 2014, that was accurate.
16	Correct?
17	A. According to the bank it is, yes.
18	Q. Okay. And then your net worth two years
19	later, on the next page, FFB00287, is 746,625. Is
20	that correct?
21	A. That's what it says. I don't know what
22	year it was, but they did one and then they brought
23	it back and said this is not right. Do this one.
24	And I don't know what year it was.
25	Q. So it's your testimony that the bank

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1	told you that one of the documents was not correct
2	and had you sign
3	A. Well, they did
4	Q a modification?
5	A. They did, yeah.
6	I done signed it, and they gave it back
7	and they told me this is wrong. We have got to do
8	another one. And they sent me another one to sign
9	and I signed it.
10	Q. Do you remember if the one we just
11	looked at was the wrong version or a correct
12	version?
13	A. I really can't that's what I was
14	trying to find, the dates, you know, and stuff and
15	trying to see, but I don't know which one is what,
16	really.
17	Q. And who, with the bank, told you that it
18	was not correct and you had to sign a new one?
19	A. It was one of the ladies in the office.
20	I do not know. I can't remember her name.
21	Q. But you have no reason to believe that
22	the one we just looked at from 2014 was incorrect?
23	A. There again, I don't know. I can't
24	remember which one they redacted and brought back

and had me redo.

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1	Q. Okay. Is it your understanding that
2	these are documents your bank provided directly to
3	your lawyers?
4	A. I do not know that.
5	Q. Okay. Do you what do you believe
6	caused the increase in your net worth from 2014 to
7	2016?
8	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
9	THE WITNESS: I don't know. But it
10	should be here.
11	BY MS. SANTEN:
12	Q. Okay. We can move on.
13	A. Personal vehicles and stuff. I have no
14	clue why it is.
15	Q. Go to FFB00294 which is several pages
16	back. Is that your signature on this page? It's
17	dated December 7th, 2018.
18	A. Yes. Apparently it's my signature,
19	yeah.
20	Q. Okay. And does the information on here
21	appear true and accurate?
22	A. Yes. There again, I'm not I don't
23	know which one of these got inverted. I just don't
24	know.
25	Q. You don't have any reason to believe

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1	that this specific document was the one that was
2	inaccurate. Correct?
3	A. Well, a lot of this stuff is blacked
4	out. I don't even know what it is.
5	Q. Well, you see your signature, and it
6	says: "We certify under penalty of criminal
7	prosecution that all information"
8	A. Yeah.
9	Q "provided on this form is true and
10	complete to the best of my knowledge," and then you
11	signed. Correct?
12	A. Yeah. But it wasn't blacked out like
13	that when I signed it.
14	Q. Okay. But you would have reviewed this
15	and then signed it, attesting that this information
16	was accurate. Correct?
17	A. If I knew what it was, yeah.
18	Q. Would you have signed with that
19	certification, "under penalty of criminal
20	prosecution," if you did not know what it was?
21	A. I wouldn't think so.
22	Q. Okay. And was it your understanding
23	that the bank prepared these for you based on
24	information that you provided to them?

I didn't have to provide anything, that

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Page 80 1 I know of. Okay. But it's your understanding this 2 Ο. 3 is information pertaining to you and your business 4 with Perdue? 5 Α. Yeah. It was mandatory every year to sign these papers, yes, ma'am. 6 7 But you signed attesting that the Ο. 8 information on the form was true and complete. 9 Correct? 10 It has nothing to do with Perdue, 11 though, was it? This was between me and the bank. 12 O. Correct. I'm just trying to understand 13 whether this is accurate information and whether you reviewed it, certifying that it was accurate. 14 15 Apparently I did at the time, but there 16 were more information than what's on this. 17 Is there anything on this sheet that you 18 believe is not accurate? I can't see it. I don't know. 19 Α. 20 Okay. Well, let's go through -- I mean, Q. 21 you see the certain numbers. Do you have any reason 22 to believe anything on here is not accurate? 23 I have no clue to make a judgment, because can't see what is there. 24

You see a number, "Owners Equity,"

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1	percentage, 37 percent. Do you see that at the very
2	bottom?
3	A. Yeah. But every line almost has a
4	blackout on what it is, so it's hard to tell what it
5	is.
6	MS. SANTEN: And counsel, we would
7	request that you ask First Financial Bank for
8	clearer copies of these documents, and then if we
9	need to reopen the deposition of Mr. Parker for the
10	very limited purpose of confirming certain values,
11	that we will.
12	BY MS. SANTEN:
13	Q. So you remember each year signing a
14	balance sheet, correct, with the bank?
15	A. Yes, ma'am. It was mandatory.
16	Q. And do you have any understanding of how
17	they prepared the numbers on this Balance Sheet?
18	A. Not really.
19	Q. Okay. Did you ever question any of the
20	numbers with the bank after you signed the forms?
21	A. Yes.
22	Q. Okay. Which did you question with the
23	bank?
24	A. I can't remember which one that they
25	they swapped. And if I remember, it was toward the

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latter part of the growing years. But they had, you know, asked for another one. I can't remember. I just don't remember what it was.

- Q. Okay. Other than that instance, you can't think of any information that was on these that you felt was incorrect?
- A. To my knowledge, no. I mean, it wasn't mine.
- Q. Did you experience changes in the amount of money you got from Perdue over the years?
- A. Only when I did upgrades and paid for it, the pay increase is the only way you could get a raise usually.
- Q. What else happened, during the time that you owned your farms with Perdue, that would have caused your net worth to increase?
- A. I would invest -- have to invest money in the farm to get an increase. Like I said, we never got a cost-of-living increase the twelve years I grew.
- Q. But if you invested money in the farm, you could make more money. Correct?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: Well, yes and no. Yes, you could get a bigger check. But you had to weigh

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1	the difference if the 20 or \$30,000 you spent was
2	going to bring you more income or not.
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. So you had to make that determination.
5	Correct?
6	A. Well, you know, you tried to, best you
7	could. But it's a guess. You don't know.
8	Q. Did anything else happen from 2014 to
9	2018 that would have caused your net worth to go
10	from 174,000 to 1.74 million?
11	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
12	THE WITNESS: I I don't know. Like I
13	said, the bank did this. I don't I really don't
14	understand it a lot of it, really.
15	BY MS. SANTEN:
16	Q. Okay. We can move on.
17	I'm going to hand you what we are going
18	to mark as Exhibit 6.
19	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 6, Supplemental Loan
20	Covenants, was marked)
21	BY MS. SANTEN:
22	Q. All right. Take a minute to read
23	through this document and see if you recognize it.
24	A. Are these part of the loan documents or
25	something?

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1	Q. Do you recognize your signature on these
2	pages?
3	A. I'm trying to find the signature page.
4	Let me look.
5	Q. There are some initials on the bottom.
6	There is a signature on FFB00060.
7	A. Okay.
8	Q. Does that look like your signature?
9	A. Yes, ma'am.
10	Q. Okay. Would you agree that this is a
11	Supplemental Loan Covenant that has your signature,
12	dated June 24th, 2013, between Roger Dale Parker,
13	dba Parker's Poultry, and Linda Gail Parker, dba
14	Parker's Poultry? It looks like the terms of the
15	loan, under paragraph 11, are 1.115 million with
16	fifteen annual payments. Do you see that?
17	A. Yes, ma'am.
18	Q. Any reason to believe this is not an
19	accurate copy of a Supplemental Loan Covenant?
20	A. I don't know what it means by
21	"Supplemental."
22	Q. Do you believe that at one point you
23	took out a loan in the amount of 1.115 million to
24	secure either the Hillsboro farm or the
25	Milledgeville farm?

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1	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
2	THE WITNESS: The rates come down. I
3	can't remember when I did that, but apparently I
4	did. I signed it, so
5	BY MS. SANTEN:
6	Q. Any reason to believe this is not
7	accurate?
8	A. No, ma'am.
9	Q. Okay. And that would have this would
10	have been a loan taken in connection with your
11	grower business with Perdue. Correct?
12	A. Yes, ma'am.
13	Q. Okay. And was that money that you were
14	responsible for paying similar to a mortgage on a
15	house?
16	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
17	THE WITNESS: Yes. Apparently, this is
18	some type of upgrade.
19	BY MS. SANTEN:
20	Q. But that was a loan you were responsible
21	for paying. Right?
22	A. Yes. Apparently, yes.
23	Q. Okay. And I'm going to hand you what we
24	are going to mark as Exhibit 7.
25	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 7, Security Agreement, was

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1	marked)
2	BY MS. SANTEN:
3	Q. Do you recognize this document? There
4	are some initials on the bottom and some signatures.
5	Do you recognize these as documents you provided to
6	your lawyers?
7	A. I'm still looking.
8	Okay. I think I went through them.
9	Q. Do these look like your signatures and
10	your initials on these pages?
11	A. It does. It's very confusing, but yes.
12	Q. Okay. Are these documents that you
13	provided to your lawyers?
14	A. I guess I did.
15	Q. Okay. Go to the first page. It says:
16	"Security Agreement."
17	"Secured Party: First Financial Bank."
18	"Debtor: Roger Dale Parker, Linda Gail
19	Parker."
20	It looks like "Secured Debts," if you go
21	to paragraph 2, references 92,000 for a loan. And
22	you signed this document and initialed this
23	document. Correct?
24	A. Yes.
25	Q. Okay. So paragraph 1, "Small Business

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Administration," it says: The Secured Debts secured by this lien were made under a United States Small Business Administration nationwide program which uses tax dollars to assist small business owners."

Is it your understanding that this was a small business loan?

- A. I understood that they -- yeah, I guess it is.
- Q. Okay. And there is a number of these documents in this stack. And you have no reason to dispute the accuracy of any of these documents.

  Correct?
- A. The confusing part is the dates. They are so close. Why would they do so many so close to the time? I don't understand it.
- Q. Okay. But you have no reason to think anything in this -- in this packet is not accurate?
- A. Well, I really don't know because it's redundant. I mean, it's -- it's the same thing three times with different dates.
- Q. Well, go to Parker 000499 for me. This is another Security Agreement dated June 24th, 2013 with the Small Business Administration. And would you agree these are your initials and your signatures on this document?

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1	A. Yes. This is the third one, I think,
2	that's in this pile with different dates.
3	Q. And then Parker 000486, that's another
4	secured agreement dated July 23rd, 2010 with the
5	Small Business Administration. Is that a document
6	you signed as well?
7	A. Hold on just a second. What page?
8	Q. Parker 000486.
9	A. This still makes no sense.
10	Q. Would you agree that you signed this
11	document?
12	A. Apparently I did in three different
13	for the same thing three times. That's why I'm
14	having trouble understanding it.
15	Q. But you don't have any reason to believe
16	anything in here is not accurate. Correct?
17	A. I don't know, really. Like I said, I'm
18	confused as to even why and it has been so long I
19	don't remember the exact circumstances.
20	Q. But you agree you signed these
21	documents. Correct?
22	A. Apparently. It's my signature, yeah.
23	Q. Okay. Do you have any reason to believe

It appears to be mine on all three.

it's not your signature?

No.

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1	Q. Okay. And you testified earlier you
2	understood that this was a Small Business
3	Administration loan. Correct?
4	A. I did.
5	MS. VAUGHN: Object to the form.
6	BY MS. SANTEN:
7	Q. We can move on.
8	Did you use those funds for your farms
9	with Perdue?
10	A. I don't remember what the funds were
11	for, whether it was upgrades or a purchase of a farm
12	or what it was.
13	Q. But it was something in connection with
14	your farm with Perdue. Right?
15	A. Yes.
16	Q. Okay. Let's go to
17	MS. VAUGHN: Maggie, we have been going
18	about another hour.
19	MS. SANTEN: Okay.
20	MS. VAUGHN: Is now a good time for a
21	break?
22	MS. SANTEN: Yeah, that's fine. You
23	guys want to take lunch now?
24	MS. VAUGHN: Yes.
25	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on camera is

Page 90 1 approximately 12:09, and we are off the record. 2 (Break In Proceedings) 3 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on camera is 4 approximately 1:05. We are back on the record. 5 Counsel, you may proceed. BY MS. SANTEN: 6 7 Okay, Mr. Parker. We are back from Ο. 8 lunch. Do you understand you're still under oath? 9 Α. Yes, ma'am. Okay. We had talked about Exhibit 7 10 Ο. 11 before lunch, which is a Security Agreement. I just 12 want to ask you just a few questions about that. Go 13 to Parker 000482, which is the first page of this 14 document. 15 I'm there. Α. Okay. 16 Do you see paragraph 2, Secured Debts, it says: "The following debts and extensions, 17 18 renewals, refinancings, modifications and replacements"? 19 20 It talks about a promissory note dated 21 "March 4, 2010, from me to you, in the amount of 22 92,000." 23 Is it your understanding that this 24 Security Agreement pertains to that loan which was for \$92,000? 25

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1 Again, I'm confused on these three dates 2 and what they are or what they belong to or where 3 they come from. Really, I don't understand them. 4 But I'm having trouble with this -- this one because of that. 5 But you don't have any reason to believe 6 Ο. this information is not accurate? 7 8 Yeah. But what if these -- okay. No, I don't. 9 10 I'm asking, do you have any reason to 11 believe these documents are not accurate? 12 Α. I question the documents because there's 13 three sets of them. I don't know which one would 14 have been the one that's actually used. 15 Well, we can go through them. There are 16 different dates. 17 Α. I know that. 18 Ο. And these are documents you provided to 19 your lawyer. 20 I don't -- I don't know where everything Α. 21 comes from. I mean, I will be honest. 22 Okay. Well, if your testimony is you Ο.

MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.

have no reason to believe these are not accurate,

then we can move on.

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Page 92 I don't know what's 1 THE WITNESS: 2 accurate, because there are three sets of them. 3 BY MS. SANTEN: 4 Okay. Well, let's go through each one. Ο. 5 Α. Okay. The first one is Parker 000482. 6 Ο. 7 dated March 4, 2010. It's a Small Business 8 Administration loan in the amount of \$92,000. 9 you testified that those are your initials there and was your signature on the last page, 4, which is 10 Parker 000485. 11 12 Α. Okay. Then the next one is Parker 000486. 13 And 14 that is dated July 23rd, 2010, Small Business 15 Administration loan in the amount of \$935,000. 16 testified that those are your initials. And that's your signature on page 4 of that, Parker 000489. 17 18 that correct? 19 Α. March and July, yes. 20 And the March, go back to the Q. Okay. 21 is for \$92,000, paragraph 2. first page, 22 Α. Okay. Same year. Okay. 23 Okay. And then the July is for Ο. 24 \$935,000. Do you see that on Parker 000486? 2.5 Α. T do.

Page 93 Okay. And then the one we were just 1 Ο. 2 looking at is Parker 000499 dated June 24, 2013. 3 And this is a Small Business loan in the amount of, 4 under paragraph 2 --5 MS. VAUGHN: Wait. He is still trying 6 to get there. 7 MS. SANTEN: Okay. 8 THE WITNESS: 499? 9 BY MS. SANTEN: 10 Ο. Yes. 11 Α. Okay. This is a Small Business loan 12 Ο. Okay. 13 Security Agreement dated June 24, 2013, under 14 paragraph 2 in the amount of 1.115 million. 15 testified that those are your initials and that's 16 your signature on the fourth page of that document which is Parker 000502. Is that correct? 17 18 Α. I -- I believe, yeah, I signed that. 19 0. Okay. Do those loan amounts sound 20 familiar as loans that you took out in connection 21 with your grower business with Perdue? I honestly 22 I honestly do not remember. 23 don't. Like I said before, it makes -- I don't 24 know. 2.5 Q. But you have no reason to believe you

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Page 94 1 did not take out that money? I mean, I don't -- I 2 I don't know. 3 can't change my answer. I mean, I don't know what's 4 what with these. 5 Okay. But you signed all these Ο. documents. Right? 6 7 Α. It seems that I did, yes. 8 Ο. Okay. Do you have any reason to believe 9 you did not sign these documents? No, I -- I don't guess so. 10 Α. 11 Okay. And you agree that you signed the Ο. 12 documents we looked at earlier pertaining to these 13 loans. Correct? 14 Objection to form. MS. VAUGHN: 15 THE WITNESS: I don't know what we are 16 talking about. 17 BY MS. SANTEN: 18 Ο. Okay. We will just let that speak for itself. 19 20 And Counsel, I will just MS. SANTEN: 21 note for the record that First Financial Bank 22 production did not have a Certificate of 23 Authenticity, so we are going to have to notice 24 their deposition regarding some of his testimony 25 that the documents might not be accurate, or what

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1	have you.
2	MS. VAUGHN: I don't think he testified
3	that they were inaccurate.
4	MS. SANTEN: He said that they told him
5	one of the documents wasn't accurate and they asked
6	him to sign another document. And that he wasn't
7	sure of the derivation of the numbers on those
8	documents, so we just need to take their deposition.
9	THE WITNESS: Not on this one.
10	MS. SANTEN: We
11	THE WITNESS: Excuse me. Didn't mean to
12	interfere.
13	MS. SANTEN: Yeah. Sorry, Mr. Parker.
14	We were talking about other matters.
15	THE WITNESS: Yeah.
16	BY MS. SANTEN:
17	Q. Okay. Let's move on. Now, when you
18	MS. VAUGHN: Sorry. I will just note
19	for the record we don't necessarily agree that we
20	need to notice their deposition, but we can discuss
21	it at another time.
22	MS. SANTEN: That's fine.
23	BY MS. SANTEN:
24	Q. Okay. When you took out these loans did
25	you pay the bank directly or did you sign a document

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1	with Perdue authorizing them to withhold certain
2	money from your settlement to pay the bank?
3	A. Everyone signs an agreement with Perdue
4	to have it withdrawn.
5	Q. Okay. Could you have paid the bank
6	directly?
7	A. I really don't know. I don't know if
8	they had that option.
9	Q. Okay. No one ever told you,
LO	specifically, that you could not pay the bank
L1	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
L2	BY MS. SANTEN:
L3	Q directly. Is that right?
L <b>4</b>	A. I don't know that that was an option or
L5	not an option. Like I can't answer either way
L6	because I don't know the bank's criteria. I never
L7	questioned it.
L8	Q. Yeah. My question to you is, no one
L9	with Purdue ever told you specifically that you
20	could not pay the bank directly. Correct?
21	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
22	THE WITNESS: No. I don't think with
23	Perdue, no.
24	BY MS. SANTEN:
25	Q. Okay. I'm going to show you what we

Page 97 1 will mark as Exhibit 8. (Defendant's Exhibit No. 8, Assignment Of Funds, 2 3 was marked) 4 BY MS. SANTEN: Okay. Mr. Parker, could you review this 5 Ο. document and let me know if this is your signature 6 7 on the second page which is FFB00016? Is that your 8 signature? 9 Α. Hang on a second. Just a moment. Yes, it is. 10 11 Is it your understanding that Ο. Okav. this was a document where you authorized Perdue to 12 13 withhold the payments for your loan with First 14 Financial Bank and to make those payments on your 15 behalf? 16 I quess it is. 17 If you look at FFB00017, the second Ο. 18 paragraph says: "Hence, you are fully authorized to release to First Financial Bank." Do you see that? 19 20 Α. Yes, ma'am. 21 Okay. Do you have any reason to believe Ο. 22 this document is not an authorization signed by you 23 authorizing Perdue to make the payments on your 24 behalf?

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No, ma'am.

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1	Q. Okay. And I will hand you what we are
2	going to mark as Exhibit 9.
3	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 9, Assignment of Funds, was
4	marked)
5	BY MS. SANTEN:
6	Q. Okay. Do you recognize this document?
7	MS. VAUGHN: This seems to be the same
8	document.
9	MS. SANTEN: Did you get a different
10	let me see. What do you have on yours?
11	MS. VAUGHN: That is a different one.
12	He has the same one, though.
13	MS. SANTEN: Okay. Sorry.
14	MS. VAUGHN: Counsel, I still have a
15	different document than my client has.
16	MS. SANTEN: Sorry. Let me see what he
17	has. My apologies.
18	THE WITNESS: I have these two.
19	MS. SANTEN: I'm trying to ask about
20	FFB00108.
21	MS. VAUGHN: Okay. That's what this is,
22	but not what we have. This looks like FFB104.
23	Okay. Great.
24	I will give you these back.
25	MS. SANTEN: Sorry. It looks like

Page 99 there's two of the same. Oh. 1 They are different. 2 BY MS. SANTEN: 3 Ο. Mr. Parker, do you recognize this 4 document? 5 Α. It looks like another payment document. Do you recognize your signature 6 Ο. Okay. 7 on this document? 8 Α. Yes, ma'am. 9 0. Okay. Is it your understanding that this is an authorization signed by you authorizing 10 11 Perdue to make loan payments on your behalf? 12 Α. Yes, ma'am. 13 Now, when you were the grower, 14 and we talked about this a little bit before, you 15 had -- and this testimony will be pursuant to the 16 30(b)(6) notice, just for the record purposes -- you 17 had your own business called Parker's Poultry And 18 Equipment. Is that right? Can I ask what 30(b)(6) is? 19 Α. 20 You testified earlier that you did not Q. 21 understand that you were here to testify in your -as a representative of the business. 22 23 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. 24 BY MS. SANTEN: 2.5 Q. But your lawyers have agreed that you

Page 100 1 will be testifying as a representative of your business for certain questions, which means that 2 3 whatever testimony you provide is binding on your 4 business. 5 Α. All right. I remember. 6 Q. Okay. When you were a grower, you also 7 operated an outside business called Parker's Poultry 8 and Equipment. Is that right? 9 Α. Yeah. At the early months, yeah --10 years. 11 Why did you start that business? 0. I renovated a house. And Perdue asked 12 Α. 13 me would I do further upgrades for the farms, and I did because I had construction background. And 14 15 that's why I did it. 16 Okay. When did you start that business? Ο. 17 It would have been when I was at 18 Hillsboro, so that would be 2000 -- I don't know. 19 2000, just guessing, 7 or 8, you know? 20 Did you ever incorporate that Q. Okay. 21 business or form a separate legal entity? 22 Α. No. 23 0. Okay. How did you come up with the 24 business name? 2.5 Α. It was my name.

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1	Q. Did you have a separate business
2	checking account?
3	A. From what?
4	Q. For Parker's Poultry and Equipment.
5	A. Yeah. I think so, yeah.
6	Q. Okay. Would you deposit any money that
7	Parker's Poultry and Equipment made into the
8	business checking account?
9	A. Yeah, I should have.
10	Q. Okay. Were you
11	A. I just I don't I can't remember if
12	I did it as a separate account. I believe I did. I
13	don't
14	Q. Okay. Were you the only person involved
15	in that business, or did your son or wife do some
16	work in that business as well?
17	A. I had a son that worked for me some.
18	Q. Okay. Did you have any other employees
19	for that business?
20	A. I would yeah. I had a guy that
21	worked for me that helped me do installs.
22	Q. Okay. What was his name?
23	A. Robert Taylor.
24	Q. How did you pay Mr. Taylor?
25	A. We would go bid a job together, and then

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1	when we were done he was paid.
2	Q. Did you pay him by the hour or did you
3	pay a set amount?
4	A. A set amount.
5	Q. How did you determine that set amount?
6	A. Just whatever he thought he needed to do
7	the install.
8	Q. Would he tell you what price, or would
9	you give him a price that you would be willing to
10	pay?
11	A. Usually it was common; you know, we
12	agreed on a price.
13	Q. Did you pay him on a 1099?
14	A. I believe so.
15	Q. Okay. Other than your son and
16	Mr. Taylor did anyone else work for you in your
17	Parker's Poultry and Equipment construction
18	business?
19	A. I mean, day day labor, but I can't
20	remember them all. You know, they would sometimes
21	give me a hand.
22	Q. How did you find your day labor?
23	A. It's just guys in the community usually.
24	Q. Would you train them?
25	A. Not necessarily needed training for what

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1	we were doing.
2	Q. What work would you have them do?
3	A. Just picking up; you know, clean up,
4	stuff like that.
5	Q. And you mentioned you had a construction
6	background. What was your construction background?
7	A. I used to build spec houses, things.
8	Q. Okay. Do you remember how many years
9	you operated that business?
10	A. Which business?
11	Q. Parker's Poultry and Equipment.
12	A. I don't. I think maybe four, five
13	years. I'm just guessing.
14	Q. Okay. Did you advertise for that
15	business?
16	A. We had a I think we had a website,
17	but I didn't actually advertise.
18	Q. Okay. What do you recall about the
19	website?
20	A. I just remember my son setting one up.
21	Q. Did you review the website?
22	A. I mean, I saw it before, yeah.
23	Q. What was the purpose of the website?
24	A. People could see what equipment we
25	carried and things like that. But I didn't sell out

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- Q. So what business services did Parker's Poultry and Equipment provide?
- A. Water lines, feed lines, those type. You know, just poultry equipment for the inside of the chicken house, and could build new homes if needed.
- Q. How did you -- would you buy the poultry equipment and then have some on inventory to sell?

  Or how did that work?
  - A. Say that again. Inventory.
- Q. Yeah. You said that you would sell poultry equipment.
- A. Normally -- normally I bought -- had it delivered to the farm. I didn't carry much inventory.
- Q. So you would buy poultry equipment for other people and they would pay you?
  - A. Yeah, for the farm, whatever job.
- Q. So you had a website. And is it fair to say the purpose of the website was to advertise for business for Parker's Poultry and Equipment?
- A. I don't know as much advertisement. It was just knowledge of what I did carry. But I guess in a sense it was.

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1	talking about?
2	MS. SANTEN: I'm starting with the
3	Facebook one.
4	THE WITNESS: That's what I'm saying,
5	I'm trying to figure out even what this is. This
6	one, Big Dutchman, it's not Parker's Poultry.
7	BY MS. SANTEN:
8	Q. 706-819-2260, is that your phone number?
9	A. Yeah. Yeah. That was a number I had at
10	the time, yeah.
11	Q. Okay. And parker'spoultryequipment.com,
12	was that an email or a website that you used?
13	A. Yeah. I think it's the one he set up,
14	yeah.
15	Q. Let's go to Perdue 007125. Do you
16	recognize this document?
17	A. 215.
18	Q. 7215.
19	A. Looking for 7215. Yeah, this is, I
20	think, in reference to Robert, but yeah.
21	Q. 706-468-2676, was that a phone number
22	you used?
23	A. It was one of the numbers we had, yeah.
24	Q. Okay. So that was connected to Parker's
25	Poultry and Equipment business?

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1	A. Yes, I think so. I don't know. It's
2	connected to this website, though.
3	Q. But that is a number that you used for
4	your business. Right?
5	A. One of the numbers that I used, yes.
6	Q. Okay. How many different phone numbers
7	did you use for your business?
8	A. I I don't I really don't can't
9	remember. I know I had two or three phone numbers.
10	Q. Okay. This says that your business
11	employs a staff of approximately four. Is that
12	correct?
13	A. This is in reference to someone else,
14	but yes.
15	Q. Who is that in reference to?
16	A. Robert. He did the installs.
17	Q. Are saying that Robert owned the
18	business, or is this discussing your business?
19	A. No. Robert had been in the business for
20	thirty years.
21	Q. Okay. So are you saying Robert employed
22	a staff of four or did you employ a staff four?
23	A. He had a crew that worked for him.
24	Q. So you employed Robert. And then how
25	many people did Robert employ?

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1	A. I don't really know how many Robert
2	employed.
3	Q. Did you tell him he could hire how
4	did it work? You employed Robert and then
5	A. Well, on a 1099 he can hire as many as
6	he wants.
7	Q. What would you ask Robert to do? What
8	jobs would Robert be performing?
9	A. All the installs.
LO	Q. So then it was up to Robert to hire
L1	people, if he wanted to, to help with the installs?
L2	A. He did the installs.
L3	Q. Okay. And he hired it sounds like he
L4	hired some people. Is that right?
L5	A. I'm assuming, yeah. That's or if
L6	it's according to how big it was. According to
L7	what he had to do, I guess.
L8	Q. Do you believe Robert put this website
L9	together?
20	A. No, I wouldn't think Robert did.
21	Q. Who did you think put this website
22	together?
23	A. My son built the website.
24	Q. Okay. This one looks to be different
25	than the one we just discussed. It says monte or

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- A. It wasn't from me.
- Q. It says: "Records show it was established in 2010." Was Parker's Poultry Equipment established in 2010?
- A. No. It was established earlier than that, I believe.
  - Q. When do you believe it was established?
- A. Well, about 2006, it will be -- I think -- I think it was 2009. It could have been 2010.
- Q. Okay. And you mentioned you engaged in no other advertising efforts on behalf of your business. Is that right?
  - A. Yeah, no. I didn't do these, so no.
- Q. Okay. You mentioned that Perdue suggested that you help with these installs. How did that conversation come about? Who did you discuss that with?
- A. I can't remember who was over the building at the time, but they come inspected mine and asked would I do others.
- Q. Okay. And what, exactly, did they inspect when they asked you if you did others?
- A. The upgrade that I did for my farm, because I had just purchased it and then they

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1	immediately had upgrades. So I had to do my own. I
2	could not afford anything else.
3	Q. When you say you immediately had to do
4	upgrades, was that to get tier 4 compensation?
5	A. Yeah. To get more try to get a
6	better income, yes. That's the only way to do it,
7	is invest, because there is no no increase.
8	Q. Okay. But you made the decision to
9	upgrade to try to get better income. Is that
LO	accurate?
L1	A. That would be.
L2	Q. Okay. And when you did these upgrades,
L3	you would take out loans from First Financial Bank
L <b>4</b>	that we looked at the documents for. Is that right?
L5	A. No. Well, no, not every time. You
L6	know, I would but most of the time.
L7	Q. Okay. Were there some upgrades that you
L8	paid for out of pocket?
L9	A. Yes. The smaller things I did, yes.
20	Q. Okay. So how did you get business for
21	Parker's Poultry and Equipment then? Did you get
22	referrals from Perdue?
23	A. Well, yes. I was on their list of
2.4	installers.

Okay. What list are you talking about?

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1	A. They made they have a list of who
2	is who can do it and who can't.
3	Q. Who would the list go to?
4	A. What do you mean, "go to"?
5	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
6	BY MS. SANTEN:
7	Q. Who would they send that list to? All
8	growers or growers in Perry?
9	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
10	THE WITNESS: As far as I know, it's
11	stapled on every house at the chicken farm.
12	BY MS. SANTEN:
13	Q. Okay. And when you say, "every house,"
14	what geographic region for houses would it be
15	stapled on?
16	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
17	THE WITNESS: I have no I have no
18	clue where Perdue puts it.
19	BY MS. SANTEN:
20	Q. Okay. Well, you said it was stapled on
21	every house.
22	A. Yeah.
23	Q. Do you believe it was on every house in
24	Georgia or on every house beyond Georgia?
25	A. I can't really answer because I don't

Page 119 1 know how far out they reached with that information. 2 And Perdue -- you were allowed to Okay. 3 have this outside business. Right? 4 Α. Outside business? 5 This Parker's Poultry and Equipment, 0. that was okay with Perdue for you to do? 6 7 Α. Yeah. As far as I know, yeah. 8 Ο. Okay. And they --9 Α. For a while. And was there ever a time when they told 10 Ο. 11 you you could not do it? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Ο. When was that? It's after I had -- I believe it was 14 Α. 15 right after I had contacted the USDA. They -- I had 16 a bid come in wanting me to bid a new poultry farm. And I was contacted by Perdue and asked not to bid 17 18 that, even though the owner of the farm asked me to bid it. 19 20 I'm asking you about doing equipment and Q. 21 installs with Parker's Poultry and Equipment. 22 That's what I'm answering. Α. 23 0. Okay. Who told you that you could not bid the farm? 24 2.5 Α. If I remember correctly, it was Dan

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1	really. I'm not them.
2	BY MS. SANTEN:
3	Q. Did you perform work did Parker's
4	Poultry Equipment do work for other growers?
5	A. Yes.
6	Q. Okay. What is your understanding of how
7	they got your name for that work?
8	A. Different avenues. I mean, a lot of
9	times it would just be other farmers.
10	Q. Do you know whether any of them got your
11	name from one of these sheets?
12	A. On their wall?
13	Q. Yes.
14	A. Probably. But it wasn't this sheet, you
15	know?
16	Q. How do you know that?
17	A. This wasn't on the wall.
18	Q. Did you go to every single grower's
19	house to see what was on the wall?
20	A. No, sure didn't.
21	Q. Okay. So you don't know one way or the
22	other.
23	A. I only deal with my chicken houses and
24	the farmers that I work for.
25	Q. Okay. How much work how much money

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did you make with Parker's Poultry Equipment doing
installs and other work?
A. That's that's a broad question. I
don't have a clue what you're asking.
Q. How much money, approximately, did this
business make when you operated it?
A. I would be afraid to guess.
Q. Okay. Well, let me show you Exhibit 13
and let's talk through it. And again, this is topic
6, directly relevant to it. So our making an
objection for the record that this is directly
relevant to a 30(b)(6) notice. And I don't know,
answer means that he was not adequately prepared,
and it's not acceptable.
MS. VAUGHN: All right. We obviously
disagree with that characterization.
MS. SANTEN: Okay. So for the record,
topic 6 is: Revenues and income earned by Parker's

topic 6 Poultry Equipment from July 2012 to January 2020. And then the second part is how those revenues were reported to the Internal Revenue Service.

### BY MS. SANTEN:

- Okay. And Mr. Parker, do you know the annual revenues for Parker's Poultry and Equipment?
  - Α. I do not.

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1	Equipment. We have sent a deficiency letter, so we
2	ask that other years be produced, just for the
3	record.
4	MS. VAUGHN: We have provided you
5	everything we have.
6	MS. SANTEN: All right. I will show you
7	Exhibit 13.
8	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 13, Parker's Poultry
9	Equipment Bids, was marked)
10	BY MS. SANTEN:
11	Q. And Mr. Parker, did you ask your
12	accountant for any copies of any tax returns that
13	you had for your business?
14	A. I thought I had them all.
15	Q. Did you ever contact him to ask him for
16	that?
17	A. Recently?
18	Q. Him or her?
19	A. Recently?
20	Q. Yes.
21	A. No. I had no reason to, that I know of.
22	Q. Okay. Let's go through this. Do you
23	recognize this document?
24	A. Yeah. These are bids. When I when
25	I my machine, when I would when I would try to

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1	create a bid it wouldn't allow me, so it had to go
2	out as invoices on stuff. So this this was
3	these were bids on jobs.
4	Q. Which of these jobs did you actually
5	perform?
6	A. I really can't remember which ones I did
7	and which ones I didn't do.
8	Q. Do you remember how many jobs you
9	handled for Parker's Poultry and Equipment during
10	the time you owned it?
11	A. Do what now? How many jobs I did?
12	Q. Yes.
13	A. I did jobs. I just I mean, I don't
14	know the number.
15	Q. Which records would your business have
16	that would show exactly which jobs you did?
17	A. I don't have that information.
18	Q. Certainly, you received payments for
19	these jobs. Right?
20	A. Yeah. But I the computer that I
21	actually use for this crashed. I don't have that
22	computer. And so the program that I used and the
23	information, I don't have.

deposited money that you made, on behalf of this

Did you -- certainly, you would have

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bank.	Correct?			

- business, in the bank. Correct?
- A. If I did business I would most likely have, yes.
  - Q. Did you ask the bank for copies of those statements showing money that your business made?

    MS. VAUGHN: Now, Maggie, you know banks don't keep records past seven years.
- 8 MS. SANTEN: You can absolutely ask them 9 for them.
  - THE WITNESS: Sorry. Ask that question again.

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- Q. Did you ask your bank for copies of statements showing amounts your business made?
  - A. No.
- Q. Okay. Do you have any payment ledgers showing amounts your business made?
- A. No, I don't. It was all in that computer. Everything I carried was in it.
  - Q. When did your computer crash?
- A. It has probably been, I don't know how many years ago it was on that one, because it was right after I quit doing installs, because I needed to go back and find some information and could not. I don't know what year it was, I will be honest.

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Q. Do you know how many installs you di	.d
per year with Parker's Poultry and Equipment?	
A. No, ma'am.	
Q. Do you know how many years you did	
installs with Parker's Poultry and Equipment?	
A. Through most of them was through	
Perdue. And that went up until they up until	. my
call to USDA, I would say was when they really	
started stopping.	
Q. You testified earlier that they star	ted
not recommending you in July of 2017. Is that y	our
testimony?	
MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.	
Misrepresents the testimony.	
BY MS. SANTEN:	
Q. You indicated, when we looked at Exh	ibit
12, that they had stopped referring you for jobs	١.
Is that right?	
A. This job.	
Q. Okay. When did they stop so you	
agree do you testify that in July of 2017 the	λ
had stopped recommending you for jobs?	
A. Yeah. I don't know when they actual	ly

But you believe it was around the time

I just know they did.

stopped.

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1	that this form went out. Is that right?
2	A. No. I mean, it could have been earlier.
3	Q. Okay. But it wasn't later?
4	A. I wouldn't think so.
5	Q. Okay. Thank you.
6	A. I don't know. I mean, I really don't.
7	Q. Because you don't remember anything
8	about it. Right?
9	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
10	Misstates testimony.
11	THE WITNESS: I don't remember how close
12	it was to this (indicating).
13	BY MS. SANTEN:
14	Q. Okay. That's fine.
15	So let's go back to Exhibit 13. Your
16	testimony, then, is these are not accurate
17	reflections of services your businesses performed.
18	They were just what you bid. Is that right?
19	A. I really don't know what was done and
20	wasn't done. I don't know which was which.
21	Q. What did these invoices represent?
22	A. These invoices represented bids that was
23	sent out to, apparently, Dennis Fitch, which was
24	here on it. Yeah.
25	Q. Okay. These are invoices that your

Page 148 1 business generated. Correct? I'm assuming it is. It looks like it. 2 Α. 3 Or bids that your business generated. Ο. 4 Α. It's -- it's the -- it's the bid Yeah. 5 sheets. 6 And how would you determine price for Ο. these different bids? 7 Well, you would have to -- I would have 8 9 to get, of course, with Robert and go look and see how much the labor cost was. And if it was just 10 11 something minor then I would -- you know, some of it 12 might just be equipment. I don't know, equipment 13 bids where I didn't need Robert. Yeah, some of it 14 is just equipment bids where I don't need Robert. 15 Would you put these bids together? 16 That's what I'm asking. 17 Yeah, I would have done the bids. Α. 18 Ο. And do these bids appear to be accurate, to the best of your recollection? 19 20 Α. Yeah. 21 Are these the only copies of bids that Ο. your business maintained? 22 23 Α. No. Okay. Did you provide the other bids to 24 Ο. 25 your lawyers?

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statements and tax returns. Is that right?

- A. As far as I know.
- Q. Okay. But you have not contacted your bank to get copies of any bank statements that would show those amount. Correct?
  - A. I have not.

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- Q. Okay. How many hours would you spend working for Parker's Poultry and Equipment during the week?
- A. The last few years hardly any, because I didn't have any work.
- Q. So talk me through when Parker's Poultry and Equipment began performing services and the amount of business from each year respectively.
- A. Again, I have no way of pulling up how much business each year. But when I -- you know, I was in business I started -- I think it was the year after I purchased the farm is when I did the upgrades and started it.
  - Q. So you believe 2007-ish timeframe?
- A. Yeah. And then -- but when I went -- when I went to Milledgeville, you know, that's when things went the other way, where I didn't do much -- hardly much work.
  - Q. So you're saying when you went to

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Milledgeville, which was what, 2000 --

- A. Yeah. I mean, while I was at Milledgeville. I don't know what year. I just can't remember what year that all that -- about the trailers and things came up and things started going south.
- Q. I believe you testified before you started with Milledgeville in 2014. Does that sound accurate?
- A. No. I would have to go back and look at my records. I was thinking '9, but I may be wrong.

  I will have to -- I will have to look and see the years because I'm not good with years.

But there again, you have got me wondering now which year it was. But I thought I said '9. Maybe I'm wrong.

- Q. So how long after you got to Milledgeville did you say your business died?
- A. When I started reporting the trailers and stuff is when it really went south. I would say I was there at least, you know, a couple years, probably whenever -- just say '10 or '11, '12. You know, there again, I don't know when the -- a lot of these things transpired. I didn't keep up with and nor do I have a way to go back and get.

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1	memory.
2	Q. So you were still submitting bids for
3	Parker's Poultry and Equipment in 2017. Correct?
4	A. Not for Perdue, no.
5	Q. We are only talking about Parker's
6	Poultry and Equipment.
7	A. Yeah. Yeah.
8	Q. So were you submitting bids for
9	Parker's
10	A. Well, I tried get work, yeah.
11	Q. Were you submitting it for people
12	outside of Perdue?
13	A. Yeah.
14	Q. Okay. How did you get business for
15	people outside of Perdue with Parker's Poultry and
16	Equipment?
17	A. I really don't know how they found my
18	name. I really don't. I don't know how they get my
19	name outside. I guess word of mouth, you know,
20	that's all I can think.
21	Q. How much business, outside of referrals
22	from Perdue, did you get for Parker's Poultry and
23	Equipment?
24	A. Outside of bids for Perdue. It wasn't a
25	lot. I just don't know how much.

Page 157 1 Like I said, because I bid it don't mean So that's the -- that's the thing. 2 I do it. 3 could have done a ton of bids and not get the jobs. 4 Well, let's start from when your Q. business started. It started in 2006. Is that 5 right? 6 7 Somewhere in there, yeah. Α. What was the source of work for Parker's 8 0. 9 Poultry and Equipment in 2006? Source work was strictly Perdue houses. 10 Α. 11 And how much work did you get from Ο. 12 referrals from Perdue in 2006? 13 I can't -- I don't know the answer to Α. 14 that. 15 2007, what was the source of your Ο. 16 business for Parker's Poultry and Equipment? 17 I'm sure it was the same. At the 18 starting point they are the only ones I worked 19 through was Perdue growers. 20 And do you know how much money you made Q. 21 in 2007? 22 I do not. Α. 23 Or how many jobs you performed for Parker's Poultry and Equipment in 2007? 24 25 Α. No, ma'am. I had all that information.

Page 158 1 I really wish I had it. So 2008, what was the source of your 2 3 business Parker's Poultry and Equipment? 4 Α. You know, I can't answer that. I don't 5 know. 6 Well, you said at one point the work for 0. 7 Perdue dried up, so I'm trying to figure out when 8 that was. 9 Α. Yeah. And I can't tell you exactly what year it was. And I don't know how much each year. 10 11 You're asking the same thing. I can't answer. 12 O. How many years did you do work for 13 Parker's Poultry and Equipment? 14 Every year up until what, 2016, 2017. Α. 15 Because I did hardly nothing in 2017 that I 16 remember. 17 But every year -- so 2006 to 2017, 18 beginning of, you did work for Parker's Poultry and 19 Equipment. Is that correct? 20 Some. You know, I would do something, Α. 21 yeah. 22 But you can't remember how much you did 0. 23 for Parker's Poultry and Equipment during that time? 24 I cannot give you an exact number, no. Α. 25 Q. Did you perform work for Parker's

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Page 159 1 Poultry and Equipment each year from 2006 to 2017? 2 I -- I can't confirm that I did every 3 year, no, because I know the latter part I did very 4 little. I don't know. Do you know who, through word of mouth, 5 Ο. would refer you business outside of Perdue? 6 7 I don't know who was doing the Α. No. 8 talking, no. 9 Ο. If you look at Exhibit 13, this Dennis Fitch, is he a grower for Perdue or was he someone 10 11 outside of Perdue? He was outside of Perdue. 12 Α. 13 So these are all bids that you Ο. Okav. 14 submitted to someone outside of Perdue. Is that 15 right? 16 Α. Yes. 17 So Exhibit 13, do these all look O. Okay. 18 true and accurate to you? 19 Bids, they probably are, yeah. Α. 2.0 something they wanted to know a bid of. A lot of 21 times people will bid jobs just to get something to

> Q. But it looks like you bid jobs for Dennis Fitch, who is outside of Perdue, totaling

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1	\$57,000 and some change. Does that sound right?
2	A. Yeah. I guess. I just don't
3	Q. Okay. Do you have any reason to believe
4	these invoices that were generated by your own
5	business or these bids are not accurate?
6	A. I think, if I remember some of them
7	are in here twice, if I remember right.
8	Q. You produced these to your lawyers.
9	Right?
10	A. Yeah. But some of them are in here
11	twice, same document.
12	Q. But are the ones that are in there if
13	it's in there twice, I understand. But are the ones
14	that are in there accurate?
15	A. As far as bids, I'm assuming they are.
16	It's just I don't have anything to compare them
17	with, as far as the program.
18	Q. Okay. So let's go through hours. 2006,
19	how many hours a week did you spend working for
20	Parker's Poultry and Equipment?
21	A. I do not know that answer. I mean, how
22	would I know how many hours I worked and that many
23	years ago?
24	Q. Let's start 2012. How many hours did
25	you work for Parker's Poultry and Equipment then?

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1	Q. 2015, do you know how many hours a year
2	you worked for Parker's Poultry and Equipment?
3	A. I do not know how many years that
4	hours that year I worked, no, ma'am.
5	Q. 2016, do you know how many hours a year
6	you worked for Parker's Poultry and Equipment?
7	A. I do not know how many hours a year I
8	worked.
9	Q. 2017, do you know how many hours a year
10	you worked for Parker's Poultry and Equipment?
11	A. No, ma'am.
12	Q. Okay. I'm going to show you what we are
13	going to mark as Exhibit 14.
14	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 14, 2016 Individual Income
15	Tax Return, was marked)
16	BY MS. SANTEN:
17	Q. Okay. Exhibit 14. Okay. Mr. Parker,
18	do you recognize this document?
19	A. I do.
20	Q. Okay. And what is this?
21	A. It looks like taxes.
22	Q. Okay. Does it appear to be a true and
23	accurate copy of the taxes you submitted to the IRS
24	in 2016?
25	A. I'm guessing it is.

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1	Q. Do you have any reason to believe this
2	is not an accurate copy of the tax return you
3	submitted to the IRS in 2016?
4	A. No, ma'am. No, ma'am.
5	Q. Okay. Did you provide these documents
6	to your lawyer?
7	A. Yeah. I guess so, yeah.
8	Q. Okay. Let's go to Parker 000972.
9	A. Okay.
10	Q. Is this a it says "Profit or Loss
11	From Business, (Sole Proprietorship), Schedule C."
12	And then it says: "Business name
13	Parkers Poultry and Equipment." Is it your
14	understanding that you submitted this to the IRS in
15	connection with Parker's Poultry and Equipment
16	business in 2016?
17	A. It looks like I did.
18	Q. Okay. And would you agree that you have
19	no business expenses listed for labor or anything
20	other than depreciation?
21	A. Yes, ma'am.
22	Q. Okay. You have no income listed for
23	Parker's Poultry and Equipment in 2016.
24	A. It looks like I don't.
25	Q. Is that accurate?

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1	A. I would say it looks that way. That's
2	what's there. I don't I'm not a tax person,
3	but
4	Q. Okay. Let's go to the next page:
5	"Profit or Loss From Farming," Parker 000973. Do
6	you see that?
7	A. Yes, ma'am.
8	Q. Okay. Is this an accurate copy of a
9	document you submitted to the IRS in 2016 in
L O	connection with your farming business?
L1	A. I believe so.
L2	Q. Okay. And if you go to line 33, you
L 3	note expenses in the amount of 455,486. Is that
L 4	right?
L 5	A. Yes.
L 6	Q. Line 32a, it looks like you paid
L 7	employees 53,834 on 1099s. Is that right?
L 8	A. Yeah.
L 9	Q. Okay. And "Depreciation," line 14, is
20	that depreciation of your farming houses?
21	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
22	THE WITNESS: I don't know.
23	BY MS. SANTEN:
24	Q. Okay. Go to Part 1, 4a. It says:
25	"Agricultural program payments."

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1	A. What now?
2	Q. Line 4a in Part 1.
3	A. Part 1, 4a.
4	Q. Agricultural program payments. It lists
5	69,384.
6	A. 4a. 4a. 4a. Oh, yeah, I see it.
7	Q. Do you know what that is?
8	A. I have no clue.
9	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
10	BY MS. SANTEN:
11	Q. Okay. And if you go to the very top it
12	says: "Name of proprietor, Roger Parker. Principal
13	crop or activity, chickens." Is that accurate?
14	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
15	THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Go back to the
16	other. I think no, I would be guessing, but I
17	think I know what that is.
18	BY MS. SANTEN:
19	Q. 4a, you mean?
20	A. Yeah.
21	Q. What is that?
22	A. I built a stack house, but I
23	that's I don't know on the farm. I don't know
24	if that's it, though. Don't hold me to it.
25	Q. Is everything else on this form true and

Page 167 1 accurate? 2 MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form. 3 I'm not a tax person. THE WITNESS: 4 I don't know anything about taxes, but I'm assuming that's what she -- she did, yeah. 5 6 BY MS. SANTEN: 7 Okay. You have no reason to believe Q. 8 anything on this form is not accurate? 9 Like I said, I wouldn't think the woman would do it wrong. 10 11 Okay. Let me show you Exhibit 15. Ο. (Defendant's Exhibit No. 15, 2017 Individual Income 12 13 Tax Return, was marked) BY MS. SANTEN: 14 15 Do you recognize these as true and 16 accurate copies of documents you submitted to the 17 IRS in connection with your business with Perdue? 18 Α. Well, it's my tax form, if that's what 19 you're asking, yeah. 20 You provided these to your lawyers. Q. 21 Correct? I did. 22 Α. 23 Q. Okay. Any reason to believe these are 24 not accurate? 2.5 MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.

Page 168 1 THE WITNESS: I'm not a -- I'm not a tax 2 person to know the answer to that on accuracy, really, on any of it. I'm just guessing it is. 3 4 BY MS. SANTEN: 5 Ο. But these were submitted to the IRS on your behalf. Correct? 6 7 Α. Through a tax preparer, yes. 8 Ο. And you had to sign, indicating that 9 these were correct. I signed to the best of my knowledge 10 Α. 11 they were, yeah. 12 If you go to Parker 000975, do Ο. 13 you see "Sign Here" that's above the tax preparer 14 line? It says: "Under penalties of perjury, I 15 declare that I have examined this return and 16 accompanying schedules and statements, and to best 17 of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, 18 and accurately list all amounts and sources of income I received during the tax year." Do you see 19 20 that? 21 Α. There is no signature, though. Yeah. 22 Do you recall signing this? 0. 23 I don't see a signature. Α. 24 Well, do you recall signing this? Ο.

That's what I'm asking you.

Page 169 1 Α. I know that I did. I don't see a 2 signature. 3 Okay. But you authorized your O. 4 accountant to submit this to the IRS on your behalf. 5 Correct? 6 Don't I have to sign it first? 7 Q. You provided these to your lawyers. 8 asking if you authorized your accountant --9 Α. I'm not a tax person, ma'am. I don't 10 know. 11 Were these filed with the IRS on your Ο. behalf? 12 13 Α. I guess they were. I don't know. This 14 is not even signed. 15 You presented these as copies of your 16 I'm merely asking you, do you have any tax returns. 17 reason to believe these were not filed with the IRS? 18 Α. I have no reason to think they weren't, 19 no. 20 Q. Thank you. And I don't see Okay. 21 anything in here from Parker's Poultry and 22 Equipment, does that seem accurate to you, from 23 2017? 24 It could have, yeah. Α. 25 Q. And let's go to Exhibit 16.

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1	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 16, 2018 Individual Income
2	Tax Return, was marked)
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. Do you recognize these as copies of your
5	tax returns for 2018?
6	A. That's what it apparently is.
7	Q. Okay. Do you have any reason to believe
8	these are not copies of your tax returns from 2018?
9	A. No, ma'am.
10	Q. Okay. Do you have any reason to believe
11	any information in here is not accurate?
12	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
13	THE WITNESS: I'm not a taxpayer, again,
14	but I would think she would do it correctly.
15	BY MS. SANTEN:
16	Q. Did you provide her with information
17	that she used to prepare this form on your behalf?
18	A. Yeah, I would, as far as I know.
19	Well, I didn't, no. I would give the
20	stuff to now my ex-wife and she did the taxes every
21	year.
22	Q. Okay. So it's your understanding she
23	provided this information to the accountant on your
24	behalf?
25	A. As far as I know, she did.

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Q. Okay. And I will show you and there
is no tax information for Parker's Poultry and
Equipment from 2018. Does that seem accurate to
you?
A. Yeah. That was its last year. Yeah.
Q. Okay. Let's go to 2019, Exhibit 17.
(Defendant's Exhibit No. 17, 2019 Individual Income
Tax Return, was marked)
BY MS. SANTEN:
Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 17?
A. 17. 17. Okay. My bad. Okay.
Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 17 as true and
accurate copies of tax returns that were presented
to the filed with the IRS on your behalf?
A. Apparently it is.
Q. Okay. Do you have any reason to believe
the information in this return is not accurate?
MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
THE WITNESS: Like I said, I'm not a tax
person. So I'm assuming she didn't do it wrong.
BY MS. SANTEN:
Q. Okay. Have you ever tried to amend your
tax return since filing the instant your lawsuit
against Perdue?

Not since I did my lawsuit, no.

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Page 178 1 almost everyone got -- you know, did the loan 2 through Perdue. 3 So a grower would do a loan O. 4 through Perdue. Some of that loan money would go to pay you to do the equipment installs. Is that how 5 it would work? 6 7 Yeah, they would -- they would do the Α. installs. 8 9 Do you remember kind of a range of a rate that you would charge for any work with 10 11 Parker's Poultry and Equipment? 12 Α. There was no flat rate, no. 13 Okay. Would you get a check for that 0. 14 work that you did like that, separate and apart from 15 the check you got for your chickens? 16 I don't know if they direct-deposited or sent a check, but it would -- it would -- you know, 17 18 I would be paid. I just can't remember how they 19 paid. But at the end of the year it all showed up, 20 you know? 21 Do you still have your pay statements 0. 22 from Perdue? 23 Α. I do not. I wished I did. 24 Okay. Let me mark what has been -- what Ο.

we are going to mark as Exhibit 19.

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1	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 19, Georgia Agriculture Tax
2	Exemption Certification, was marked)
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. Do you recognize this document?
5	A. I do.
6	Q. Okay. And what is this?
7	A. It's an Agriculture Exemption for the
8	poultry farm.
9	Q. And what is the purpose of this
10	document?
11	A. When I would get get equipment, if I
12	paid like regular taxes or whatever from a company I
13	could give this, and if I was using it on my farm I
14	could get an exemption.
15	Q. Okay. What did you have to do to get
16	this exemption?
17	A. Well, I mean let's see. Who is this?
18	I'm trying to see I'm trying to see, is this the
19	one? Yeah. This is oh. To receive the card
20	itself?
21	Q. Did you have to fill out an application
22	to get this exemption?
23	A. No. Well, you would you would go to
24	the I always called them, you know, and set it
25	up. But then you could renew it, you know, through

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1	internet.
2	Q. Well, what information did you have to
3	provide them in order for them to give you an
4	Agricultural Tax Exemption Certificate?
5	A. I forgot what their criteria was,
6	honestly, to what all the Georgia Agriculture Tax
7	Exemption requires. Whatever it requires is what I
8	would have to supply.
9	Q. But I couldn't get one, for example.
LO	You would have to be an agricultural business.
L1	Correct?
L2	A. Yeah.
L3	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
L4	THE WITNESS: I think you have got to
L5	have ten acres or something like that.
L6	BY MS. SANTEN:
L7	Q. Okay. What else is your understanding
L8	about what you needed to get an Agriculture Tax
L9	Exemption certificate?
20	A. Like I said, I can't remember all the
21	criteria. I just know it's a certain amount of
22	acreage and different criteria.
23	Q. Do you have to be involved in farming?
24	A. I don't know. I don't know if you have

to be some type of farmer or what kind of farmer

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Page 181 1 or -- you know, just a row cropper or what you have 2 to, I really don't know. 3 Do you remember filling out an O. 4 application online to get this certificate? I'm sure I had to. 5 Α. Okay. And you provided whatever 6 Ο. 7 information was requested and then you got the 8 certificate? Is that right? 9 Α. I did. 10 Okay. Did you get the certificate for Ο. 11 It looks like this was issued December any years? 12 6, 2012 and expires December 31st, 2017. Did you 13 get the certificate for any other years? 14 I think -- I may have got it prior. 15 can't -- I think -- I don't know. I don't know what 16 year I got it for sure. '12, that would be five 17 That would probably be about the extent of 18 I just don't know if it went before or after. I can't remember renewing it. 19 20 How did you hear about this exemption? Q. 21 Through other farmers. There is -- all Α. 22 farmers' pretty much carry an exemption if you're a 23 poultry farmer. 24 Ο. And what does the exemption get for you again? 2.5

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1	A. Just tax exemption.
2	Q. Okay. From what?
3	A. From whatever you use on the farm.
4	Q. So if I went online to Georgia
5	Department of Agriculture, is that where you would
6	apply for this?
7	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
8	THE WITNESS: I have no clue if that's
9	the name of it or not.
LO	BY MS. SANTEN:
L1	Q. Did you have to submit any documents
L2	when applying for this?
L3	A. I can't I don't remember if there's
L <b>4</b>	documents or like I said, I think I told them,
L5	but I can't remember if I had to. It seemed like I
L6	did when I originally started, but I can't
L7	remember I mean, you know, exactly what it was or
L8	what I did because it was 2012.
L9	Q. Okay. You can't remember what you told
20	them that got you the certificate?
21	A. No.
22	Q. Okay. And for the record, you can't
23	remember if you got a certificate after 2017?
24	A. I don't think I did. I could have for

another year or so. I just don't remember if I

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- applied again. I probably did, I guess.
- Q. Would you have record of that in your email if you applied again?
- A. I don't have that email anymore because of the -- when the equipment company -- not the equipment company, but the email that I had for the poultry company, growing, I couldn't get back in that once we tried. And I tried every way to get back in it.
- Q. Okay. Go to Parker 002120. This looks like an email from somebody talking about the tax exemption certificate we have on file for you expired on January 4, 2011?
  - A. Yeah.
- Q. Does that refresh your recollection of whether you had a tax exemption certificate for the period before 2012?
- A. I don't know what they are referring to, really.
- Q. They say: "The sales tax exemption certificate we have on file for you expired January 4, 2011." Is it your understanding they were referring to the Georgia Agriculture Tax Exemption Certificate?
  - A. I have no clue if that's exactly what

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Page 184 1 this was or not. 2 Well, go to the next page. If you look at the bottom they say: "Good afternoon! 3 I wanted 4 to follow up regarding a current tax exemption 5 certificate for you." 6 MS. VAUGHN: Maggie, are you talking 7 about the first page? MS. SANTEN: 8 The first page. 9 BY MS. SANTEN: "The one we have is expired." And then 10 Ο. 11 you sent them --12 Α. Am I missing something here? 13 MS. VAUGHN: Are you talking about 2119? 14 MS. SANTEN: The first page, 2119. 15 THE WITNESS: Okay. I'm sorry. 16 BY MS. SANTEN: 17 O. This is a follow-up email from them. "Good afternoon! I wanted to follow up regarding a 18 19 current tax exemption certificate for you. The one 20 we have is expired. We need a valid exemption 21 certificate." And then you sent the certificate. 22 Correct? 23 Yeah. The Big Dutchman, they are a 24 major corporation. So I don't know. I mean, for 25 them, they would know whether or not this was

acceptable. Probably it would only be acceptable if I was using it on my farm, I'm guessing.

Q. Was poultryequipment@msn.com your email

- A. Yeah. That's the one we can't get in.
- Q. Okay. So you sent this -- you sent this email to them containing a copy of your Georgia

  Agricultural Tax Exemption Certificate. Correct?
- A. Yeah. Apparently they had asked for it, which they did. But to be able to use that through -- through that company. I mean, we are talking Warren Buffett is a huge company. It's a solo trade and everything. They would have to accept it or reject it. So I don't know if it was accepted or rejected.
- Q. Okay. That's fair. But you got that with the State of Georgia, that tax exemption certificate.
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Let's go through the hours you worked with Perdue and what you were doing from 2016 on. So in 2016, how many hours a week were you working with Perdue?
- A. I would, there again, have to guess. I mean, but it would be -- when we were -- let's see.

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- We were, I'm trying to remember, doing the upgrades.

  I normally would put in like a fifty, sixty-hour

  week in most of the weeks.
- Q. Well, let's talk about January. So January 2016, on a Monday what would you be doing?
  - A. I have no clue. You know I don't know.
- Q. Well, you gave me fifty to sixty hours a week, so I'm trying to -- (cross-talking).
- A. I'm just guessing. Yeah, I mean, I would do fifty to sixty hours a week through the growing of the entire -- you know, that's normal for most growers.
- Q. Well, let's talk about how you get there. So on a Monday what would your typical schedule be --
  - A. Oh. You mean daily?
  - Q. -- in January of 2016?
- A. Well, I'm just looking back a daily thing, no matter -- I don't know that date, but we would get up and we would go to the chicken house, that would be our first thing, to do a check on the houses. And after we got through checking them all we would go back and walk them. That's -- each house is 500-foot long. You have to walk them four times, four -- four runaways in each house to pick

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Then you would have to go dump those birds in a pit or incinerator, which I did both.

But if you did the incinerator, you had to light the incinerator to get it going. And, you know, basically you're turning them into powder.

And after that, usually we would go grab a bite to eat. And it would be a few minutes, usually -- maybe thirty minutes or an hour, you go back down, and I would start doing maintenance work on whatever was wrong inside the house. And that varied from time to time on what that was.

- Q. So whatever was wrong in the chicken house?
- A. Yes, ma'am. Whether there was broke feed lines, water lines or whatever had -- every week we had to mow the yard. I mean, every week we had to -- so there would be -- you know -- you know, you're talking acreage, not just like a yard you would have at home.
  - Q. I'm talking about a Monday. What --
- A. Twenty-eight -- I mean, these are things that I would do -- I would have to do a little every day. You ain't going to mow twenty-eight acres in one day. So, you know, you're going to do a little

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1	bit every day on doing this stuff.
2	Q. And for what purpose would you mow
3	acres?
4	A. Huh?
5	Q. For what purpose would you mow acres?
6	A. Because the chicken houses are 500-foot
7	long you have got to mow in between them; you have
8	to mow the outsides, both sides. And then you have
9	got to mow next to the stack house. I mean, the
10	entire property, literally. There is a certain
11	section you can bush hog, but the rest of it we
12	mowed weekly.
13	Q. And did you mow it so that the chickens
14	would do better? Or what was the purpose of mowing?
15	A. Perdue, mandatory, made us mow and keep
16	our yards up. If we didn't, we got wrote up.
17	Q. And how did that help the chickens?
18	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.
19	THE WITNESS: I don't know that it did.
20	BY MS. SANTEN:
21	Q. Okay. So when would you wake up on a
22	Monday in 2016? When would you start?
23	A. Usually around 7 we would go out.

And then what time would you eat lunch?

Usually about, just guessing, maybe 1.

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1	Sometimes I didn't eat lunch. I mean, it's
2	according to what I had going.
3	Q. Okay. And then you would start doing
4	maintenance work on the chicken houses. How long
5	would you spend mowing each day?
6	A. I don't know on a daily. It would take
7	us normally three days to mow the yard.
8	Q. You said you did a little bit each day.
9	A. Yeah. Yeah.
10	Q. So how much time would you spend each
11	day doing that?
12	A. I mean, one day I maybe do more than
13	I just I'm just trying to think. Just say I put,
14	you know, probably three, four hours a day in it.
15	You know, just a guesstimate.
16	Q. Were you doing all of this
17	A. If I divided it up.
18	Q mowing on your work by yourself or
19	was someone else doing that some of the time?
20	A. Mostly, I did most of the mowing. I
21	mean, it's not that I that she hadn't. Gail has
22	mowed before, but normally I did that because it was

every day mowing? Is that your testimony?

Would you spend three or four hours

dangerous at places.

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- A. Well, I'm thinking, if I divide it out, three days, you know, of a good bit of mowing. If I divide it out to a daily is what I was trying to get in my head.
- Q. How much time per day -- you said you did a little each day. How much time each day would you spend mowing?
- A. No. I normally do it in three days.

  But if I have to divide that out, like in a week's time to give it a daily average, then, you know, I figured three or four hours a day by time you -- because it's a lot to mow.
- Q. So three or four hours a day seven days a week? Or three or four hours a day how many days a week?
- A. Yeah. I mean in a -- in a -- no, I would be more looking at a five-day week, yeah.
- Q. Okay. So you would go to lunch. You would come back. You would start doing maintenance work, feed lines, looking at water lines. What else would you do after lunch?
- A. Well, a lot of times I would have done maintenance a good bit during the day, according to what -- the field man give us a list of things to do; you know, what we had to do.

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- Q. And that was maintenance on the chicken houses?
- A. Yeah, sometimes it was. Sometimes it was yardwork. Sometimes it's putting stuff into the rat bin -- you know, rat bin. There is little rat containers around each house that were mandatory, we had to keep those full.

We had to weed eat around all the chicken houses. Just those -- those type things.

- Q. And the rat bin was so that rats wouldn't get into the chicken houses. Right?
  - A. Yeah. The containers, yeah.
- Q. Okay. What time would you finish on a Monday?
- A. On a normal -- well, I did my last check around 8:00; somewhere in there, 8, 9:00.
- Q. So would you work from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. at night on a Monday in 2016?
- A. I worked starting one day and see the morning come up the next day.
- Q. I'm asking -- I'm asking about a Monday in 2016, would you work --
  - A. Yeah. I'm just --
  - Q. -- from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.?
  - A. Just -- I mean, it's according to the

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- week. And I don't know about Monday on that day and that time. I mean, I'm just saying it's according to what all the field man left us that had to be done because, I mean, everything we did had to fall under their guidelines. We didn't do anything --
- Q. Well, you said you worked fifty, sixty hours a week, so I'm trying to figure out how you're able to say that.
  - A. Yeah.

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- Q. So when would you work on a Tuesday?
- A. Well, it was seven days a week.
- Q. Would you work from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. --
- A. Even eight days is fifty-six, so let me figure.
- Q. Well, let's go through each day. I'm asking, would you take time off for dinner on a Monday?
- A. Sometimes I would eat, sometimes I wouldn't eat. I didn't have a -- it's according to what all I had to get done.
- Q. Do you have any records of the hours you would work?
  - A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. And the maintenance work, you said some of that was yardwork. Others was

Page 193 1 pertaining to maintenance for the chicken houses? Yardwork is the chicken houses. 2 I mean, 3 it's mandatory. It's not an option. 4 Okay. So on a Tuesday when would you Ο. start to work? 5 6 Same time every day. Α. 7 So 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.? Ο. 8 Α. Yeah. At least, yeah. Like I said, 9 there's days that I saw the daylight come up two days in a row, worked all night. 10 11 Q. Well, let's talk about a Tuesday, 12 because you had a hard time figuring out hours and 13 now you're pretty specific. So let's talk about 14 what you did --15 MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form --16 BY MS. SANTEN: 17 Ο. -- on a Tuesday. 18 MS. VAUGHN: -- misstates testimony. MS. SANTEN: That's fine. 19 20 (cross-talking). 21 BY MS. SANTEN: 22 What would you do on a Tuesday? Ο. 23 let's start --What am I specific about? I don't know. 24 Α. 25 Q. Well, what would you do on a Tuesday?

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1	Let's start at the beginning.
2	A. It would be similar to Monday.
3	Q. Okay. When would you wake up and when
4	would you start?
5	A. Same time.
6	Q. All right. What would you do?
7	A. Same. I would go to the chicken houses.
8	It's redundant. I mean
9	Q. Well, talk me through it.
10	A. It's every day, the same thing.
11	Q. So you would go to the chicken houses.
12	What would you do?
13	A. Whatever the field man had laid out for
14	us to do.
15	Q. Which would include things like what?
16	A. Picking up the birds, whatever they
17	you know, when they came they would give us they
18	were over everything we did. I mean, there was
19	nothing we did
20	Q. I'm asking what you did. What you did,
21	was it all related to walking the chicken houses,
22	checking on the chickens?
23	A. No. It's all related to what Perdue
24	wants done.
25	Q. I'm asking, was it related to the

- chicken houses? Were you walking the chicken houses and performing maintenance work regarding the chicken houses when you were walking them?
  - A. Not when I was walking them, no.
- Q. What were you doing when you were walking the chicken houses?
  - A. Picking up dead chickens.
- Q. Okay. So you would walk them. On a Tuesday would you walk them four times?
  - A. You walk them every day.
- Q. Okay. And then what would you do after you would walk the chicken houses on a Tuesday?
- A. You would go back and look at -- you look at your list every day and see what they have left you. Sometimes they would come during the night, when you're not there, and leave another list.
- Q. But what sorts of things would you do on a Tuesday after you would walk the chicken houses?
- A. Okay. You had -- you had ten 52-inch fans you had to keep running. You had side fans that had to run. You had vent machines that opened on the side of the house that were 500-foot long, you had to keep cabling on those and ropes going to them that wore out.

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You have overhead cables that held the feed lines that broke. You're continually having to replace those that break.

You have ziggity -- you have nipples that -- because my houses had age on them, the drinkers had to -- I had to put new ones in if one is leaking somehow.

- Q. So is this maintenance -- maintenance work on the chicken houses?
- A. Yes. That's what we are talking about, yeah. And then --
  - Q. And then would you take lunch?
- A. And then -- I mean, we are way -- a long way from all we had to do in the chicken house, though. I mean, you had overhead belts, they control the vent machines, that break.

You have got the curtains that hold the vent machines up that come loose.

You have got the doors that hold the cool cells. You have got those that the ropes would break on those.

Cool cells, themselves, had to be taken out and cleaned. And we are talking 80-foot-long cool cells on both sides had to be totally taken out, washed down and put back in.

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1	I'm trying to think of what else we were
2	doing. Oh. The control rooms had to be cleaned on
3	a daily basis. The field
4	Q. Was that maintenance work regarding the
5	chicken houses?
6	A. Yes. The field man would make you do
7	that.
8	You had to climb the feed bins every day
9	to make sure that you had adequate feed for those
10	houses. There again
11	Q. Is it your testimony that you would get
12	a list every single day of what you had to do on the
13	chicken houses?
14	A. We would get one to two a week that
15	would pretty much cover everything we had to do or
16	could do, even.
17	Q. What would that list look like?
18	A. I don't know. Perdue would make the
19	list and it would be left.
20	Q. What would the list what would the
21	name of the list say?
22	A. I don't I don't remember what they
23	put on it, honestly.

And what, exactly, would it have on it?

It would just have stuff that we were

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Page 198 1 supposed to do. 2 Would it cover what you were supposed 3 to -- would it give you a specific amount to do each 4 day? Do what now? 5 Α. Would it give you specific items that 6 0. 7 you had to do throughout the entire day? 8 A breakdown of items per day, no, I 9 don't think it said that. 10 But you had to do it yourself. You 11 know, you had to, you know, to be able to accomplish it before they come back. You had to -- you had to 12 13 do a daily regimen of it. Did Perdue give you a schedule? 14 Ο. 15 Α. A what now? 16 Did Perdue give you a schedule --Ο. 17 (cross-talking). 18 Α. That was the schedule. That was the 19 schedule other than, you know, what they already 20 have on the contract that you had to do, which was a 21 daily -- you know, part of the daily regimen. 22 But they didn't give you a specific 23 schedule of hours you had to work each day. 24 Correct?

Objection to form.

MS. VAUGHN:

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THE WITNESS: Now, they they didn't
say: Come in at 8 and leave at 8. They didn't say
that, but you had to.
BY MS. SANTEN:
Q. Okay. So on a Tuesday what would you do
in the afternoon?
A. Well, like I said, I tried to finish
what I maintenance that I had to do or whatever
needed done.
Sometimes you had you would have
times where there was chickens that were sick. And
I have had that quite a few times. They quit giving
them any antibiotics and all of a sudden we are
you know, we are having sick chickens a lot and we
had a lot of dead. And they make us cull those
that are not dead, basically you had to pull their
heads off. And that was their right way of doing
it, they said. The only way we could do it was
their way.

And you had to -- you know, to cull them that way. And that was the hardest part because they were alive.

But then you -- if they were ever out of feed and they brought feed back for any amount of time -- one day I was out feed two days, and when

they come back they claw each other's back trying to get to the feed, and then you have got real diseases in there. And you're picking up thousands. I'm talking bucket loads. Because there's 30,000 you would -- well, later went to 24, 25,000, but we started with 30,000 to the house.

And you're picking up, you know, thousands a day and you can't -- it's hard to keep up with, as far as what you do like here and here and here and here on a daily basis, because the chickens declare what you have to do, versus -- and Perdue declares, because they tell you, you can't just leave the dead on the floor. You know, you have got to do what they say.

- Q. But your job was looking after the chickens. Right?
  - A. Yeah, that's one of them.
  - O. What was another job?
  - A. All the maintenance.
- Q. But that was regarding the chicken houses too. Right?
- A. Yeah, yeah. Yeah. But I mean, as far as looking at the chickens versus -- and growing them versus the maintenance, it's like -- I guess it's the same but it's a little bit different.

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1 O. Now, on a -- so you talked about Wednesday through Friday, are you talking Tuesday. same hours, same types of things you're doing during 4 the day? Yes, ma'am, pretty much every day. Α. Are there ever days that you work fewer Ο. hours? Α. Well, whenever they would catch them we would have a little break. But sometimes it's according to how much cleanup time we had. 11 Sometimes when they were giving us long cleanup, you 12 know, days -- when I was at Parker's Poultry at one 13 time they were doing a long thirty-day cleanout, you 14 know, had a few days that you could take a break. 15 But normally, on a normal regimen you 16 didn't have those days. You pretty much went from growing chickens to cleaning out and getting ready 17 18 for another batch of chickens. But it wasn't as bad when you didn't 19 20 have birds than when you did, those few days 21 every -- I think two months --22 So when you didn't have birds --Ο. 23 Α. -- every two months you would get a new 24 batch.

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- A. Well, there -- you had to clean out within two days. It was mandatory. Perdue gave you a regimen of what you had to do when you didn't have chickens then.
- Q. So you had to clean out the chicken houses?
- A. Yeah. You had to get all the cake and wet places where they had pooped and used the bathroom in every day and wet the floors.

And sometimes their nipples drip and wet the floor.

You had to get all the wet cake out of there and put it -- you had a machine that -- you had to buy a machine that did that. And you had to put it in a stack house, which I had to have one built while I was there because that farm didn't have one.

- Q. And that was to prepare the house for the next flock. Right?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. And how long would those days last?
- A. Normally, if you just got a week between growouts you really didn't have a day off. But if

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- What sorts of things would be on the Ο. list?
- Well, just -- like if he saw a feed line Α. out or if he saw a water line out.

I remember once they had had a bunch of chunks of concrete coming from the feed mill, and we had seventeen feed breaks. And to pull that line took about three hours, and weld it and put it back together, sometimes more because it's 250 foot long.

- So if you had worked to fix the chicken Ο. houses.
- Α. Yeah. It's whatever. It's just whatever he found wrong and wanted fixed. And some of it I would know about, some of it I wouldn't know about.
- Ο. So but those two weeks in between flocks, you would get two weeks and then you would get a new flock, would you ever get any time in between that?
  - Α. No, ma'am.
- And you had two farms at one Ο. Okay. point, so how did you determine -- you didn't mention during here what farm you were doing what on. How did you determine who would work on which

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- A. I paid someone to work on the Milledgeville farm when I was living in Hillsboro. But then when I wound up in Milledgeville, my son leased the farm in Hillsboro and took it over.
- Q. Okay. So during what period of time did you pay someone to work in Milledgeville while you were in Hillsboro?
- A. Well, when I first started, bought
  Hillsboro, I think -- I think Brian was there. He
  was there a few years. I just don't know how many
  years Brian was there.

And there was a guy, David Odom, I think, was behind him. And I don't -- I can't tell you how many years David was there but --

- Q. Did Brian and David work at the same time or were they --
  - A. No, no, no. No.
- Q. So was Brian doing everything for the Milledgeville farm when you were in Hillsboro?
  - A. Yeah.
  - O. Would you direct him on what to do?
- A. Would I? No. No. He worked for -pretty much worked for Perdue, just like I did when
  I worked -- lived -- you know, lived in the house,

Page 206 1 even though I owned it. 2 Did you pay him, though? He worked for 3 you. Right? He had a house and -- gave him a 4 Α. Yeah. house and stuff to live in and so much a week. I 5 can't remember exactly what we paid him. But it 6 7 wasn't -- I remember it wasn't -- you know, at the 8 time wasn't a lot, but when you add the house and stuff on to it, it was okay. 9 10 So he had -- you gave him a house to Ο. 11 live in in Milledgeville while he took care of that 12 farm? 13 Yes, ma'am. Α. 14 Okav. And how many years was that? 0. 15 Like I said, I don't remember exactly 16 how many years he worked for us. 17 Ο. If there were --18 Α. But he was --19 Sorry. Go ahead. Ο. 2.0 Α. He was there a few years. 21 If there were issues on that farm would Ο. 22 they address them with you? 23 Α. No. He normally addressed them with --24 with Perdue. 25 Q. Okay. Did you set what he was -- what

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1	pay you gave him other than the house?
2	A. I'm sorry. I didn't hear that.
3	Q. Did you set the rate of pay that you
4	paid him for working in Milledgeville?
5	A. Yeah. I mean, it was an agreement, you
6	know?
7	Q. Okay. Did you provide him with
8	benefits, like health insurance or anything like
9	that?
L O	A. No, ma'am.
L1	Q. And with David, did David live in a
L2	house and then do the work in Milledgeville?
L3	A. David.
L4	Q. You said David Odom?
L5	A. Yeah. David Odom, okay. Yeah. Yeah,
L6	same as Brian. He was there when Brian was.
L7	Q. Okay. So there were a few years. Was
L8	it two, three years when someone else was doing all
L9	the work in Milledgeville?
20	A. Yeah. At least, yeah, maybe more.
21	Q. Maybe more? How many years do you think
22	it was that you had someone working full-time in
23	Milledgeville for you?
24	A. Well, until we moved there, there was

someone there full-time. And I'm thinking we were

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1	there let's see. I'd say it was probably
2	around I'm guessing '13, 2013, somewhere in
3	there. Could be '12 when we moved over there. I
4	just can't remember when.
5	MS. VAUGHN: Maggie, we have been going
6	a little over an hour. Can we take a break?
7	MS. SANTEN: Yeah. Just one question.
8	BY MS. SANTEN:
9	Q. So when you when you were in
10	Hillsboro were you and Gail splitting up the work?
11	Or when you told me what you were doing each day,
12	was she doing some of it and you were doing some of
13	it?
14	A. I mean, even on our tax paper she is
15	listed as a homemaker. She took care of the house.
16	She took care of, you know, a lot of things to do
17	with that. And pretty much I did most of the she
18	didn't know how to do repairs, as far as poultry
19	house repairs and those things.
20	And she would do minimal stuff, but very
21	few like when we was walking the birds in the
22	morning, we both did that.
23	But during the day, you know, I then
24	picked up on the maintenance end of it and done my

best to.

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Page 209 1 MS. SANTEN: All right. We can take a 2 break. 3 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on camera is 4 approximately 3:41 p.m. and we are off the record. (Break In Proceedings) 5 6 The time on camera is THE VIDEOGRAPHER: 7 approximately 3:53 p.m. We are back on the record. 8 Counsel, you may proceed. 9 BY MS. SANTEN: Okay. Mr. Parker, we are back from a 10 Ο. 11 short break. Do you understand you're still under 12 oath? 13 Α. Yes, ma'am. 14 Okay. So before the break we were Ο. 15 talking about hours you would work each day. And we 16 talked about how your other farm was run. When you all moved to Milledgeville, how did that work? Did 17 18 you hire someone to run the Hillsboro farm or was 19 that when your son took it over? 20 For a short season we had a guy named Α. 21 Dewey there, that I can't -- you know, he was there, 22 I think, two years, maybe three. But it wasn't that 23 long. So he worked at Hillsboro? 24 Ο. 2.5 Α. He ran Hillsboro.

Page 210 1 O. Okay. And how did you find him? 2 Α. I can't remember. Probably through a 3 friend, I'm guessing, but I don't really know. 4 Did you determine what to pay him? Ο. Dewey? There again, it was just an 5 Α. 6 agreement. 7 Did you give him a place to live as well Q. 8 as a payment? 9 Α. I did. Okay. Did you pay him by the hour? 10 Ο. 11 Α. I'm sorry. By the hour? 12 Did you pay him by the hour? Ο. 13 Α. No. No. It was a salary. 14 And you said he -- he ran that Ο. Okay. 15 farm himself for about two years. Is that right? 16 Α. Yes. 17 Ο. Okay. When he was running that farm 18 were you still making a profit from it? I don't know that I really -- I don't 19 Α. 20 think I did. I didn't have a P&L sheet, so I don't 21 really -- I'm guessing at some of it. 22 When you all were living in Hillsboro 23 and someone was running Milledgeville for you, did you make a profit off Milledgeville? 24

I had more houses there. I don't

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- think -- I think I was a break even. I don't know. I really don't. I would just be afraid to say.
  - Q. Okay. That's fair.
- Okay. So for the two years when Dewey was running Hillsboro, you and your wife were operating Milledgeville?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. And how did -- did y'all handle that the same way? Who was doing what at Milledgeville?
- A. It just reversed, pretty much, the -you know, he worked with Perdue and ran that farm,
  and I worked with Perdue and ran the other farm.
- Q. Did you still do a lot of the maintenance work for the chickens and things like that in Milledgeville, the same kind of work you were performing at Hillsboro?
- A. Well, Milledgeville was what we was talking about earlier. But yeah, wherever I was I did the maintenance, whether it would be one or the other.
- Q. Okay. So what we were talking about earlier, I guess let's just -- whether you were operating Hillsboro or Milledgeville, you were doing the same kind of work. Is that fair?

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Page 212 1 Α. Yes, ma'am. Okay. And your wife was doing the same 2 Ο. 3 kind of work, caring for your house, homemaker? 4 Α. Yeah. She would normally help me pick the birds up in the morning. And sometimes she 5 would go back and -- like if I was in the middle of 6 7 something she would check them, you know, during the 8 other two checks, just sticking her head in the door 9 type thing. And that's -- that's what -- I mean, that's what she did. She didn't do the maintenance. 10 11 But you testified before the break that Ο. 12 you did most of the work pertaining to the chickens. 13 Right? 14 Α. Well, as far as the maintenance, yes. 15 Okay. And we discussed the different 16 types of maintenance you were doing before the break 17 as well? 18 Α. Yes, ma'am. 19 Okay. Is there any other types of Ο. 20 maintenance work you were doing for the chickens 21 that we haven't discussed? 22 Yeah. I didn't make -- I didn't make it Α. all the way through. 23 On the outside of the chicken houses 24

sometimes the, like, screws in the roof, I would

have to, you know, get up on the roof. And the nails would come out and stuff, the tin would be loose, I have done that.

- Q. And was that so water wouldn't get in to the chickens?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.

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Overhead, in the inside, there is a piece of plastic that runs from end to end of the chicken house, and these staples in that would get loose. They have got straps and staples in the straps, and I have had to go in and hold those back up because the roof starts coming down.

- Q. So that's to prevent the roof from coming down on the chickens?
- A. Yes, ma'am. The corrosiveness of a chicken house -- it's very corrosive, and so we are -- we are -- it's mandatory for any of these things. You know, we have to keep it up to whatever -- no matter what the equipment is, you know, it's got to be kept up to produce specs.
- Q. And is that so that the chickens aren't exposed to rust? Or what's the --
- A. No. So the equipment will work itself to whatever capacity, whether it be a vent machine, tunnel machine -- vent machine, tunnel machine. I

- mean, and you have got a computer that controls everything inside the chicken house.
- Q. So the vent machine vents into the chicken house. Right?
- A. Yeah. It opens up vents approximately two -- a little over two foot wide, six inches tall. It leans them in, let's them have air and then closes back automatically.
- Q. And the tunnel, is that into the chicken house also?
- A. It is. The tunnel is the very end of the house. Ours was 5 foot tall, 80 foot long each side and had tunnel doors. And then right next to that you have some curtains.
- Q. So what other maintenance work would you be doing during the day that we haven't already talked about?
- A. Let's see. I think I have covered it.
  I don't know if I covered water lines, feed lines.
  I think I said those. Vent machines, tunnel
  machines. I know I'm missing stuff, without a
  doubt. Yardwork. Well, you said inside, though.
  - Q. Inside or outside maintenance.
- A. Yeah. Yardwork. You know, feed bins.

  And sometimes you would get a hole in a feed bin and

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you would have to patch the hole. I have had to put whole new feed bins in before. And I have done that myself.

- Q. When you say "yardwork," is that what you were talking about earlier?
  - A. Mowing, weed eating, yeah.

Just everything in the chicken -- I mean, even the slide doors up front, I have had to rebuild those before so they would open. They would come off track. They would get rusted up.

- Q. So a lot of maintenance work related to upkeep of the chicken houses?
- A. Yeah. The house, 40 by 500 foot times 6, you know, that's -- it's just a lot of work.
- Q. Now, during a catch week what would you all be doing?
- A. Well, you had to -- well, it was according to what Perdue required. Sometimes you -- they had a -- they had a system set and then they controlled it. Sometimes you could crust, which is taking out the litter, and sometimes you had to windrow. W-I-N-D-R-O-W.

Windrow means that you go down and take the chicken litter and pile it up in a pile, and come back the other side and make one big pile of

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it. It has to go through a heat for a couple of days. And then after it goes through a heat it's supposed to kill the darkling (correct spelling) beetles. And then you have to spread -- level out all that litter back into the house, perfectly level to where your, you know, feed lines will be all the same on top of it.

Then you have to wash those pans that I told you about. There is -- I think there is 500. And then you have got boxes that are four foot by four foot, they call them lids, but they are pasteboard about this high (indicating). You have to go get those from Perdue. And you put those in the house. I think there is -- I think twelve, if I remember right, in each house. And if you wash -- you wash and dry those pans. You put them under the feed lines, let the feed -- you have to let the feed lines back down out of the roof. And you put out those boxes. And each box has to be filled up by hand.

And then we -- we would always let the feed lines actually run and feed the other small pans as much as we could. But we still had to hand-feed those pans also.

Q. So were you cleaning the feed lines so

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1	they were clean for the birds, or were you cleaning
2	the pans?
3	A. We were cleaning the pans.
4	Q. Okay. And that's
5	A. We had to blow out the entire house too,
6	I didn't say that, with air. It was it's in our
7	contract.
8	Q. So when you're cleaning the pans for the
9	birds, are those pans that the birds drink out of?
LO	A. No, ma'am. No. It's what they eat out
L1	of.
L2	Q. Eat out of. Okay. So you're cleaning
L3	the pans that the birds eat out of. You windrow
L4	which, in essence, involves killing the beetles?
L5	A. The darkling beetles.
L6	Q. Darkling beetles, in litter that will go
L7	back in the chicken house. Right?
L8	A. Exactly.
L9	Q. So that's to prevent the chickens from
20	having litter with beetles?
21	A. Well, it's from it really does away
22	with the moisture too. It does away with the heat.
23	It goes through a heat and burns all the you have

to -- you actually have to run heat, keep your

chicken houses at 90 degrees winter and summer,

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Page 218 1 to -- for two days to allow it to go through that 2 heat cycle. And that kills darkling beetles and 3 gets rid of all the moisture inside that big pile of 4 poop that you have. 5 And why is it -- and this is -- I don't Ο. know much about it, so why is it important to get 6 7 rid of the moisture in the poop? Why is that 8 important to the chickens? 9 MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form. THE WITNESS: Well, moisture creates 10 11 ammonia, and ammonia makes it where they can't 12 breathe. BY MS. SANTEN: 13 14 Okay. So you're, in essence, clarifying Ο. 15 the air for the chickens --16 Yes, ma'am. Α. 17 Ο. -- so they can breathe and they can 18 thrive. Uh-huh. 19 Α. 20 Okay. And the boxes, are those in Q. 21 connection with the wash pans also? 22 The feed pans? Α. No. 23 You said you had to get boxes and put 24 those in the house? 2.5 Α. Boxes of feed. Yeah. They go down in

the feed just as well. You had so much in the front. They were in the front side of the house for usually -- just say a week to ten days usually. And then you have to take -- you have dividers in the front of the house that are across the front halfway. You have half the birds here, half the birds here when you place them in half of the house. And then whenever you open them up to the full house, you know, week to ten days, you take the back half of the birds and remove the center wall. You have a wall there. And then you run those birds back to the backside and put your wall back up. That -- you know, this is a good -- I mean, just this job takes a whole day.

But you run the birds back to the backside and then you put your center wall back up. And you wait then a few days to make sure that you have the same amount in the front as you do in the back. And then you have to put another wall up which is halfway at the back, and one in the front which divides then the chicken house into four sections.

- Q. And why is it important to have a chicken house separate into four sections?
  - A. It's just what Perdue does. I really

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don't know. I'm saying they all have equal eating and drinking space, I would say. That's the only thing I can think of.

Q. So during catch week you don't have chickens, but you're doing a lot of things for maintenance on the chicken houses to make the houses more be efficient for when the chickens are delivered. Is that right?

MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form.

THE WITNESS: Not necessarily more efficient. It's just -- it's just what they have you do. But until the birds come you have got to put out what they call PLT, Poultry Litter Treatment, which is supposed to knock down ammonia in the house for three days.

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- Q. What we were talking about during catch week, a lot of that stuff, though, was cleaning wash pans for the chickens --
  - A. Yeah.
- Q. -- feed lines for the chickens, boxes for feed, dealing with heat and moisture issues for the chickens, that sort of thing. Right?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
  - Q. And how many hours a day were you

catch, or the crusted or windrowed, one of the two.

- Q. Where was that -- how was that communicated, that you had two days to do that?
- A. It was in our -- it was -- it was in a -- I don't know. They gave us a paper. It's in one of the papers that we have.
  - Q. Is that the biosecurity standard or --
- A. No. It's the grower -- it's just growers, you know, what they do. I can't remember which paper it said it was. Part of the two, part of that -- you don't -- if you don't do it you don't -- it's a P -- what they call, I think, a PVP program or something. If you don't do it and they come out and see that you haven't started crusting, you don't get -- you don't get the money.
  - Q. You don't get the PVP bonus.
- A. Yeah. Yeah, you don't get it if you don't do -- if you don't do it in the time they say to do it.
- Q. So let me ask, did you work fifty, sixty hours a week the entire time you were a grower, from 2009 to 2019?
- A. Yeah. It's -- I would -- it's seven days a week. Growing is seven days a week. It doesn't matter. The chickens don't care if it's

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Page 227 1 Sunday or Tuesday. Did you not have a health issue in 2014 2 3 that slowed you down for a little bit? 4 Α. Yeah, for a little bit in '14 I did. 5 Okay. So how long were you slowed down Ο. in 2014? 6 7 Probably about a month or a little more. Α. 8 Ο. And did you do any work during that time? 9 10 Yeah, I did. I didn't actually -- I Α. 11 just had a stent put in. 12 All right. And your testimony is after Ο. 13 that month you went back to fifty, sixty hours, 14 approximately, each week? 15 Well, I mean, not -- probably not 16 immediately but, you know, within the next couple 17 weeks after that I would say I was back to snuff. 18 Ο. Would you say you were working the same amount after the heart stent in 2014 as you were 19 20 working before the heart stent? 21 Yeah. I don't think it held me Α. Yeah. 22 back too much. It was -- you know, it was -- it was 23 something to deal with. 24 Did you keep any records of hours 25 worked?

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1	A. No, ma'am.
2	Q. Could there have been weeks you worked
3	under fifty or sixty a week?
4	A. Possibly, but I just don't know when
5	that would be. But I wouldn't think so.
6	Q. How many weeks of vacation would you
7	take each year?
8	A. Honestly, we did good to get one. I
9	remember once requesting a leave or more time off,
10	and it was an anniversary year, to be able to do an
11	anniversary, I remember that. But other than that I
12	can't remember taking more days off.
13	Q. Well, you had employees running the farm
14	for you, so you could hire someone if you wanted,
15	you could hire someone to run the farm for you so
16	you could take time off. Right?
17	MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form,
18	misstates testimony.
19	THE WITNESS: I didn't have anybody
20	running my farm.
21	BY MS. SANTEN:
22	O. Well, you had someone running Hillsboro

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A. Right.

for you full-time when you were in Milledgeville.

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- 1 Ο. And you had someone running 2 Milledgeville for you full-time when you were in 3 Hillsboro. Right? 4 Α. Yeah, but I was on one or the other. 5 If you wanted to hire someone to run 0. both of them, you could do that, couldn't you? 6 7 MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form, 8 misstates --9 THE WITNESS: You couldn't. 10 BY MS. SANTEN: 11 Who told you, you couldn't do that? Ο. You just couldn't. I mean, you couldn't 12 Α. 13 trust -- I wouldn't trust leaving somebody that --14 it takes a long time to understand Perdue's rules of 15 regulation here and what you have got to do. You 16 would come back to a mess. 17 O. I understand you didn't want to do that. 18 Α. I couldn't. 19 But did anyone with Perdue ever tell Ο. 20 you, you cannot hire someone to run the farm for 21 you? 22 They had to be approved by Perdue. Α.
  - A. They had to be approved by Perdue. Even to the guys that just -- that run the farm, or just even one guy that -- you know, that -- like any of those guys had to sit before Perdue and be okayed,

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- Ο. Were the -- were your two farms or just one ultimately foreclosed on by the bank? It's my understanding, my youngest son still has the other farm. But I bankrupt against -had to bankrupt against both. Both farms was my understanding, and I had to do it. And when you say you had to Q. Okay. bankrupt against both farms, what do you mean? Α. That's what the lawyer said. Okay. Why did you file for bankruptcy? Ο. Because Perdue cut me off. I couldn't Α. grow any more birds. Do you believe that your properties were foreclosed on because Perdue cut you off? Yeah. I mean, if they would have allowed me to keep growing I could have continued to make payments. Ο. What have you done since you stopped your relationship with Perdue? Basically, I found that I had congestive Α. heart failure and I no longer -- basically, I just get Social Security now. I'm 66.
  - Do you recall ever seeing this document that we have marked as Exhibit 20?
    - MS. VAUGHN: Counsel, it looks like it's

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Page 246 1 missing all the odd pages. MS. SANTEN: Oh. Well, this is how we 2 3 got it. Oh, it is missing it. Okay. Never mind. 4 We will ask about this when my office fixes that. BY MS. SANTEN: 5 6 And remind me again, were you Q. 7 represented by a lawyer in connection with the 8 foreclosure on your properties? 9 I had a bankruptcy lawyer. That's the only lawyer I had. I don't know if that's what 10 11 you're asking, but I did have that. 12 O. How did your son -- which son is your --13 which farm is your son now running, and how did that 14 happen? 15 Hillsboro. And there again, I don't 16 He worked up something with the bank to keep 17 that farm. 18 Of course the bank already knew that he 19 was leasing to purchase the farm. We had a 20 lease/purchase option, you know, before the 21 bankruptcy. 22 Did you and he have a lease/purchase 0. 23 option? 24 Α. Yes. 25 Q. Okay. And when did you do that?

1 He took it over. And I just don't remember the year. I would have to look back and 2 3 try to find that paper, that piece of -- the 4 lease/purchase agreement. 5 Ο. So at some point you and your son discussed him taking over Hillsboro? 6 7 When we first -- you know, when Α. Yeah. 8 Dewey was no longer there Simon took it over. 9 Q. And you don't remember what year that 10 was? 11 I do not. I'm having trouble Α. 12 remembering the year it was, I am. 13 Ο. Did you have a lawyer help you draft the 14 lease/purchase agreement? 15 Α. I did not. 16 Okay. Did you do it yourself? Ο. I didn't do it. 17 Α. 18 Ο. Your son? 19 Α. My son -- my son did it. 20 Okay. Do you know if he had a lawyer Q. 21 put that together? 22 I don't know. Α. 23 So how did it work, the lease/purchase 24 option? Was he making payments to you or was he 25 paying the bank directly?

- A. He got a contract with Perdue, just like I had, similar, I guess, and put it -- everything in his name. And money come out of that, I guess just like it did for any other farm.
- Q. Okay. And then he was working on that farm since then.
  - A. Yeah. Well, yes, ma'am.
- Q. I know that you hired people to -- like when you were in Hillsboro, you hired someone to run Milledgeville. When you were in Milledgeville, you hired someone to run Hillsboro until your son took it over.

You had testified in your last deposition about some other people that you hired to help with different items on the farm. What work were those other people doing?

- A. Well, when you, like, place birds. It would be day labor. I think that's what you're asking about.
  - Q. What would the day labor be doing?
- A. If you're, like, placing birds you would need somebody to help you one day.

Or if you're -- you know, whatever, you know, that you're running behind on as far as what the field man has laid out for you to do, sometimes

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he gets you, you know, somebody to help you one day. It's just general stuff that, you know, didn't take any experience to do. It just takes labor.

- Q. And would they have to get approved from Perdue?
  - A. Not -- not the day labor, no.
  - Q. How many day laborers did you have?
- A. I really can't -- I don't know. It's just when I need someone.
- Q. Okay. Would you set the pay they were getting?
- A. Yeah. Usually it's, you know, by the day. And sometimes you could do an hourly rate, you know, if somebody might want that. I can't remember exactly, you know, who did what or what we paid them or anything.
- Q. You said the field man would lay out what you did. How was that communicated?
- A. Well, on our daily or weekly, according to how many times he come a week, whatever, the sheet he left in House 1.
  - Q. Would that be on a flock summary report?
- A. Sometimes, yeah. Yeah. Sometimes he left notes.
  - Q. And would he just leave notes of things

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- A. As far as I know, it was, yes.
- Q. Is there anything that we have had overnight -- is there anything, after reflecting on yesterday, that you believe you need to change or modify in your testimony?
  - A. I haven't thought of anything.
- Q. Okay. Did you think of anything you need to clarify from your testimony yesterday?
  - A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. So let's continue with a few questions on kind of outside business. I understand you were a preacher for a portion of time when you were a grower with Perdue. Is that right?
- A. I was -- well, it was part-time, but yes.
- Q. Okay. Did you have any other jobs, part-time or otherwise, during the time you were a grower with Perdue, other than what we discussed yesterday?
  - A. No, ma'am.
  - Q. Did you ever work for a quail company?
- A. Oh, yeah. I forgot about that. Yeah.
- Yeah, I did. For a short -- a short time I did.
  - Q. And when was that?
  - A. I -- Lord. I cannot -- I honestly

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- cannot remember the dates on it. I'm sorry. I just can't remember dates on it.
  - Q. You were a manager for them. Correct?
  - A. I was.

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- Q. Okay. How long did you hold that position?
- A. I don't know if it -- I think it was less than a year. Or it could have been, you know, right in that. It wasn't long, though. I didn't stay there.
- Q. Okay. And how many hours a week did you work there?
- A. When I was doing that I don't really know. But it was -- it was -- I could, you know, go and leave when I wanted to and come when I wanted to. But the -- if I had to guess, during that time probably forty-ish, maybe, right in there, at weeks. I mean, less, you know, some weeks. It could be more others. You know, I just -- it's according to what was going on.
- Q. And this is during the time that you owned just one farm or both farms?
- A. No, I had both. I think I had both farms. Don't hold me to it, but it's in that -- right in that timeframe, early on.

- Q. Okay. Did your wife primarily manage the farms during this time?
- A. During that particular time she was there during the day, yes. But we had a helper also. I had hired a helper to be there.
  - Q. Okay. Was this after 2012? After 2015?
- A. There again, I can't remember exactly what year, even, it was. I just know I did it, like you asked.
- Q. Okay. So your wife or a helper were managing the farm. And you were a manager for this quail company during that time, for perhaps a year working forty --
  - A. Yeah.
  - O. -- or so hours a week. Correct?
- A. Yeah. Well, the helper was full-time at that time.
- Q. Okay. Did Perdue know that you were working for a quail company during that time?
- A. Yeah. I asked, you know, permission to, because we can't do anything like that without their telling us we can.
- Q. Okay. And you were permitted to do that. Correct?
  - A. They told me I could do that because I

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had someone else actually operating the farm at the time.

- Q. How many hours were you working on the farm during that time?
- A. I would come in and work in the evenings usually and weekends. But I -- I was probably doing maybe twenty -- twenty hours a week maybe during that season.
- Q. During the time you were a manager with the quail company?
  - A. Yeah, during -- yeah, during that time.
- Q. I saw in your interrogatories you had referenced Roosevelt farm. What's Roosevelt farm?
- A. That's a farm in -- I'm trying to think of the name of the little town. They made Fried Green Tomatoes there, the movie, but I can't remember the name of it.

Anyway, Perdue had contacted me. The lady that owned the farm, her and her husband, she was -- worked for the government. And she was an IRS person. And I was told by them that they basically didn't want to mess with her and asked me, would I consider taking over that farm for them to -- for a while to get it to where -- I think, basically, they was going to shut the farm down.

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And they didn't want to shut it down and deal with her, and so I took the farm for a short season. And I think that was way early, though. I can't remember the exact years we were there, but it was when I had -- I didn't have both farms then, I don't think.

- Q. Okay. So you think you just had one farm during that time?
  - A. Yeah, the Hillsboro.
- Q. And how did you manage the Roosevelt farm while you had the Hillsboro farm?
  - A. Someone ran the farm.
- Q. Did you hire someone to run the Roosevelt farm for you?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
  - Q. Okay. How did you find that person?
- A. If I remember right it was online, a guy, that particular guy. And I can't remember, they were from -- I know they were from Tennessee, but I can't -- I do not remember their name.
- Q. Were you getting the income from the Roosevelt farm during that time? How did that work?
- A. Yeah. It done good to break even, but yeah. I kept it in -- I can't -- can't remember the length of tenure that I had it, but it was long

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Page 262 enough for them to shut it -- shut it down, 1 2 basically. 3 Q. How many houses were on that farm? 4 Α. Four. 5 Okay. So you hired someone. Do you Ο. remember what his name was? 6 7 Α. I do not. 8 And what period of time, again, did you 9 run that farm? It was early on. It was probably -- I 10 Α. 11 started 2006. I'm guessing '8-ish, but don't hold 12 me to it. 13 Ο. Okay. So did you do any work on Roosevelt farm during that time or were you just 14 15 relying on the person you hired to run it? 16 They -- they did it. 17 We had to -- we had to do -- for Perdue 18 we had to do some upgrades, which Robert did. 19 other than that, the guy that operated it, pretty 20 much worked for Perdue, handled it because he had --21 he had grown before also. 22 But you paid him. Right? 0. 23 Α. Huh? 24 You paid him. Correct? Q. 2.5 Α. Yeah. I -- they -- they paid me and I

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1	paid him.
2	Q. Okay. And you hired him. Correct?
3	A. I did.
4	Q. Okay. Did you determine what to pay
5	him?
6	A. Did I determine what to pay him?
7	Q. Correct.
8	A. I think it was an agreement, yeah.
9	Q. Okay. So you and this individual agreed
10	on what you would pay him to perform the services?
11	A. Yeah, I guess that's how it was.
12	Q. Did you have to train him or provide him
13	with any guidance on what he was doing?
14	A. Not really. He had done it before.
15	Q. Okay. Is that why you hired him,
16	because he had experience?
17	A. Yeah. He he advertised looking for a
18	position.
19	Q. Okay. We talked a little bit about your
20	outside company in the Parker's Poultry and
21	Equipment yesterday. Did you do work for any other
22	integrators on behalf of Parker's Poultry and
23	Equipment?
24	A. For the integrators?
25	Q. For any other poultry companies.

- A. Are you talking about growers that grew for somebody else?
  - O. Correct.

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- A. Yeah, I think -- like the -- if I remember right -- I don't know. On the south side -- I get confused, because the south side of Georgia is Tyson's and Perdue. But I don't think I have done Tyson's.
- Q. What about Harrison's Poultry? Did you help any growers with Harrison's Poultry?
- A. I'm trying to -- on the north side. I think -- I think they may have been a grower on the north side that -- that had Harrison's.
- Q. All right. So during that time, on behalf of Parker's Poultry and Equipment you were able to help growers with other poultry companies.
- A. I was able to, yeah, when I -- if -- you know, if -- if I was offered the opportunity, yeah.
- Q. Do you recall how many growers for poultry companies other than Perdue you helped when you were operating Parker's Poultry and Equipment?
  - A. How many growers?
  - O. (Ms. Santen nods head).
  - A. Most always Perdue. I mean, it was -- I

- don't. You know, it's -- I'm trying to think. But almost everything I did was, you know, in that area.
- Q. Okay. But you believe that you did work for at least one grower, with Harrison's on the north side of town?
  - A. Yeah, I did.
- Q. Okay. When you owned Parker's Poultry and Equipment did you ever have any issues with any of your suppliers?
- A. I mean, if something didn't arrive or something like that, yeah. I mean, you have issues.
- Q. Did any of your suppliers ever stop working with you, decide to stop working with you?
- A. Well, at the end, everybody. I mean, we -- we -- when I shut the business down I wasn't doing sales. And, you know, when sales don't sell you don't keep your -- you know, your stuff.
- Q. Did you ever receive any complaints, when you had Parker's Poultry and Equipment, about your services from any growers?
- A. I don't remember any. I'm not saying they didn't, but I don't remember any.
- Q. We talked yesterday about the agricultural tax exemption you applied for. And you indicated you thought you had to fill something out

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Page 266 1 online. I just want to show you something to see if 2 this rings a bell. 3 Are we on 22? 21? MS. SANTEN: Okay. 4 (Defendant's Exhibit No. 21 Marked and Withdrawn) THE WITNESS: Now, I did mine over the 5 I think I said that. 6 phone. BY MS. SANTEN: 7 You didn't have to go online to look at 8 Ο. 9 anything? 10 Uh-uh. Α. 11 Then we don't need to mark this Ο. Okav. 12 one if you didn't see it. 13 Okav. We talked about flock supervisors 14 coming to the farm from time to time and providing 15 you with lists of items -- maintenance items and 16 otherwise to work on that they noticed when they were there on that visit. So I would like to show 17 18 you -- we will mark this as 21 instead. Sorry. (Defendant's Exhibit No. 21, Perdue Flock Visitation 19 20 - Week 1, was marked) 21 BY MS. SANTEN: 22 Mr. Parker, do you recognize this Ο. 23 document? 24 It looks like one that I would have

gotten on the farm, yeah.

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1	Q. Okay. So this says: "Hazel Lee," which
2	was your farm. Right?
3	A. Yeah.
4	Q. July 2nd, 2019. Correct?
5	A. It looks that way.
6	Q. Okay. So was this the document that you
7	were referring to yesterday when you indicated that
8	they would leave lists of things to do?
9	A. It looks like when they started printing
LO	them, yes.
L1	Q. Okay. And do you remember when they
L2	started printing them?
L3	A. I do not remember what year it was.
L <b>4</b>	Q. Okay. What did they do before they
L5	started printing them?
L6	A. They handwrote they wrote them by
L7	hand and left them there.
L8	Q. Would it contain items similar to what
L9	this looks like?
20	A. Probably so, yeah.
21	Q. Okay. So I note here that they have a
22	number of items that you need to work on. It
23	says do you see "bio-security," there is a number
24	of items there?
25	A. Yeah.

Page 268 1 Ο. "Environmental," there's -- it notes 2 that the grass around the house needs to be cut. Do 3 you see that? 4 Α. Yes, ma'am. 5 Was that because with tall grass there Ο. might be snakes or rodents that could get the baby 6 chicks? 7 8 Α. I don't know what their purpose is. 9 sure it has something to with rodents, but --So would you agree that if there 10 Ο. Okay. 11 was tall grass there could be rodents or snakes and 12 that could pose a risk to baby chicks? 13 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. 14 No. We had a concrete THE WITNESS: 15 wall all down the bottom of the chicken house. 16 There is no way a real snake could get in there unless he went through a -- you know, a snake hole 17 18 or dug in some way. 19 But the only place I ever saw snakes was 20 in the control room. 21 BY MS. SANTEN: 22 Would you agree, with tall grass 0. Okay. 23 there could be a possibility for rodents? 24 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. 2.5 THE WITNESS: That's why we kept the rat

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1	bait stations. Yes.
2	BY MS. SANTEN:
3	Q. Okay. Did you ever use any sort of
4	fertilizer or other substance to help kind of cut
5	the grass or reduce the amount of grass on your
6	property? Roundup, something like that?
7	A. I I sprayed Roundup before, yeah.
8	Q. Okay. And what was the purpose of
9	Roundup?
10	A. To not have to weed eat so much.
11	Q. Okay. Roundup would help with grass
12	growth as well. Correct?
13	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
14	THE WITNESS: Well, the weed eating part
15	would be weeds and grass. You know, whatever grew
16	up beside the chicken house.
17	BY MS. SANTEN:
18	Q. Okay. Would the flock supervisor talk
19	with you about what was on the Flock Visitation
20	report, or would you just get this document and then
21	work on the items?
22	A. Well, this this particular document
23	was after I realized I mean, I knew they were
24	definitely pushing me out. I mean, they was getting
25	rid of me. I already contacted the SBA people. But

the -- I mean, some of the things that -- basically, if I had had the feed lines I wouldn't have trouble with the feed. And I basically asked to do feed lines and I could not -- I mean, they -- they would not help me, toward the end, at all.

They would rather -- it seemed like they would rather see them suffer, and that's what they did.

- Q. Are you aware of any other growers who were allowed -- who were treated differently than you in terms of given more favorable treatment on some of this stuff?
- A. Oh, yeah. I had a -- I know people that got water lines and got feed lines and -- yeah. I mean, quite a few farmers, actually, you know, that I had seen get the same things I was asking for.
- Q. Well, on some of these items here that you say they were using to push you out, are you aware of any growers who had these items who didn't have them listed on a Flock Visitation report?
- A. Well, I don't know about other growers.

  I mean, I don't know what they wrote down on
  their --
- Q. And you testified that as of this date, which is July 2nd, 2019, you felt sure they were

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trying to push you out. Is that right?

- A. Without a doubt, yeah.
- Q. And why -- why did you feel sure at that time that they were trying to push you out?
- A. Well, I had gone through a couple of years at that time of, you know, no help.

I mean, when I started reporting the trailers coming in, it seems like that started the stuff.

And I was really just trying to help them to realize that they were bringing basically a -- they was coming into my farm with an empty trailer, let's say trailer one, and they would stamp a tare weight ticket and put it in my box. And they would go weigh that truck -- when they left my farm full of chickens and weighed the truck, the truck number then was different on what I sold versus what I was growing. And I knew we had issues.

- Q. So you said this happened a few years -- this started happening a few years before 2019.
  Right?
  - A. Yeah, it did.
- Q. When did it -- when did this treatment start happening that you felt was unfair?
  - A. I started noticing trailers around 2015,

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They told me they would do that. They said they would -- I bought water lines. But I had asked for the pipe to buy the water lines to put in city water so that after I paid for that I could then get feed lines or water lines because they didn't want two loans at a time on your -- I get that. But after I paid it off then they turned around and changed the story and wouldn't give me feed lines even then or water lines.

- Q. You said that things started to change when you started reporting it to them. When did you start reporting it to them?
  - A. I thought I said 2015 or '16.
- Q. Okay. So that's when you believe the, quote, different treatment started happening, different treatment of you. Is that right?
- A. Well, that's when I noticed it, yes.

  And it started -- in my opinion, that was the start.

  But it really -- after I contacted USDA it seemed to elevate. And that's -- this guy, I believe this particular person that did this report was -- was looked at by growers as the hitman that shut farms down.
- Q. Okay. So you said that they wouldn't give you feed lines or water lines. Is it your

1 Ο. Okav. When -- were there times when Perdue visited the farm and noticed some issues and 2 3 after that point you would get letters? Would that 4 occur from time to time? Yeah, towards the end, especially when 5 Α. they shut me down. 6 7 Okay. Let me hand you what we will mark 0. as Exhibit 22. 8 9 (Defendant's Exhibit No. 22, 4-14-17 Letter, 9-19-18 Letter, and 10-16-18 Letter, was marked) 10 11 BY MS. SANTEN: 12 Do you recognize this document -- this O. set of documents? 13 14 Α. Yeah. Yeah, I think it's something that 15 I got. 16 Were these examples of letters that you Ο. 17 received from Perdue noting different issues that 18 they found on the farm? Like I said, after -- it is. I 19 Α. Yeah. 20 mean --21 Do you have any reason to believe you Ο. 22 didn't receive these letters? 23 Α. Let me see. I don't -- let me look at all of them. 24 2.5 Yeah. It was -- I felt it was a

starveout. You know, if they wait long enough they know that -- that you have got to have these things, especially with a system, and they -- if they don't help you do it, then eventually you're going to -- and basically, instead of trying to help me like they did other farmers, I got no help and wound up in this issue.

- Q. Are you aware of any other farmers who had the kinds of issues that Perdue noted who were not provided with letters like this?
- A. I'm not -- I don't know about other farmers, no.
- I know other farmers got feed lines and water lines.
- Q. Okay. Which farmers got feed lines and water lines?
- A. Well, I mean, I don't know how many they gave them to, but I knew they got feed lines and water lines. I know -- I just -- I mean, I have actually put them in for them.
- Q. Okay. Is that the only instance you can think of, of other farmers who were treated differently?
- A. Say that again now, to make sure I understand.

Page 277 1 O. I will strike that. Let's go to your contracts. 2 Okay. 3 will show you what we are going to mark as Exhibit 4 23. (Defendant's Exhibit No. 23, Poultry Producer 5 Agreements, was marked) 6 7 BY MS. SANTEN: 8 All right. I have handed you a stack of 9 documents here that are various Poultry Producer Agreements that you have signed over time. 10 11 Could you take a minute to look through 12 these just to see if you recognize your signature 13 and recognize the documents? 14 We were continually getting these things 15 from year -- I mean, not year to year, from -- you 16 would get sometimes three or four times a year. We 17 had no option, though, I mean, really, that we sign 18 it. 19 0. My question was whether you recognize 20 the document and whether it's your signature. We 21 can talk about the document after that. 22 I don't think I signed them all. Α. Okay. 23 I don't see a signature. Maybe I'm looking at the 24 wrong place.

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signed them, yes, ma'am.

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- Q. Okay. So I believe yesterday you testified that you believe the first time you signed a part of the Poultry Producer Agreement was 2006. Does this first document in the stack with the Bates label Perdue 002439 to Perdue 002459 appear to be an accurate copy of the first contract that you signed? It's dated June 27th, 2006.
- A. I honestly can't remember when I started, the exact date, but I know it was that year.

You have agreements that you sign. Then you have agreements that you sign with them on a flock, which bird you're going to grow. So I'm --

- Q. Are those the payment schedules you're referring to?
- A. Yeah. Yeah, the payment schedules. You have to have agreements. But they come out with these like every so often also when something changes. Like I don't know. Part of them had different things in them, I noticed, as I went through.
- Q. Okay. Well, let's talk through the first one. Do you remember who you met with when you signed the first agreement?

Page 280 1 Ο. Okav. Who said -- who suggested to you 2 to use the name Parker's Poultry? 3 Α. It was just agreed to in that meeting 4 that day. 5 Ο. Which person with Perdue suggested that you should use the word Parker's Poultry? 6 7 Α. I can't remember which one it was. 8 0. Okay. Let's go to the second agreement, 9 then, if you don't believe that one was in place. 10 This one is Perdue 002453 through 2459. 11 And it's dated May 18, 2007. Does this contain your 12 signature? 13 It does. Α. 14 Okay. Do you believe this is the first Ο. 15 agreement that governed the relationship between you 16 and your ex-wife and Perdue? 17 Α. It's one of them. Like I said, they 18 continually changed it. 19 0. I said the first agreement. 20 Oh. I don't know. I wouldn't think --Α. 21 I think the first one should be the lesser of the 22 dates, but it's not. 23 Okay. Well, what do you -- what do you 24 remember about them telling you -- when you first

sat down to sign an agreement with Perdue, what did

they tell you about how the relationship would work?

- A. As in -- what do you mean "relationship"?
- Q. What did they explain to you about how it would work? Did they explain you would be an independent contractor?
- A. No. They basically told me that they would come out and show us everything to do; what to do, how to do it. And we had to abide by the rules that they had.

And whenever we were -- you know, we would -- you know, if something happened, you know, you get written up. And if you didn't comply, basically, you got cut off. Of course that wasn't my case, but --

- Q. So it's your testimony that they told you that at the very beginning of the relationship?
- A. Yeah. That was -- that was -- I mean, they were up front with telling us, you know, we had everything -- you know, we had to follow the guidelines and, you know, everything they said for daily working the birds and everything, yeah.
- Q. Okay. What else did they tell you when you sat down and first discussed how things would work?

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- A. I was just trying to get a loan for the bank. You know, it's -- that's pretty much -- you know, do what we say and when we say to do it and everything will be good, you know?
- Q. What else do you remember Perdue telling you when you first sat down with them to discuss becoming a grower with them?
  - A. (Cell phone interruption).

    I'm sorry. That bothered me.
- Q. What else did Perdue -- you remember

  Perdue talking with you about when you first sat

  down with them about the opportunity to be a grower?
- A. Like I said, just what I said. I don't think there is -- there is anything else. The field man would come out and look at everything every week and tell us what to do.
- Q. So you testified that they told you they would come out, show you everything. You had to abide by the rules. If something happened, you would get written up. If you didn't comply you would get cut off. So you began the relationship knowing that information. Correct?
- A. Yeah. A good bit of it, yeah. That -I mean, some of it come with time but, you know,
  it's definitely an understanding, you work for them,

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- Q. What part of it came with time?
- A. Well, you know, you come to see how it works, you know, with your field man and understanding how, you know, you -- how little options you have, I guess, on your end, because I wasn't used to growing that way. Growing with two other integrators it was totally different.
- Q. Let's go through the -- let's go through this 2007 Agreement a little bit. So you see paragraph II it says: "Producer Agrees" on the first page?
  - A. Oh. Paragraph VII?
- Q. Paragraph II, Producer Agrees. It's section II. It says: "Perdue Agrees" and then it says "Producer Agrees."
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Do you recall reviewing this Agreement before you signed it and these provisions that you were agreeing to?
- A. Yeah. But there are some things they didn't put in here. But yeah.
- Q. So you were agreeing to, if you look at paragraph B: Feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the chicks consigned to and provide necessary

housing, equipment, supplies to maintain equipment and housing, utilities, labor to maintain such housing and equipment in a good a state of repair -- or state of good repair and operable condition.

You understood that would be part of the agreement?

- A. Yeah. They also said that there was interest-free loans that was available to do that with.
- Q. Okay. But you understood paragraph B was part of the agreement?
  - A. Yeah. We had to do that.
- Q. Okay. Did you understand that you were to only use the feed medications, vaccinations and other supplies which Perdue provided under paragraph C?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. Did you understand under -- or did you understand the rest of these? So D talks about minders. E talks about disposal of birds.

Did you understand that you would be required to comply with the rest of these paragraphs, so A through M? And that's section IIA through M on Perdue 002543 to 002534, Producer Agrees.

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- A. Yeah, they -- they said that. But, you know, like I said, they offered help in some of it too.
- Q. Okay. And under IIIA, "Other Terms," it says: Producer shall perform the services hereunder using Perdue's established procedures and otherwise sound farming and growing practices in accordance with industry standards. Did you understand that would be one of your obligations under the agreement?
- A. Oh, yeah, definitely, you had to do what they said under their guidelines for sure.
- Q. Okay. And go to the next page. This is Perdue 002455. You see paragraph D there, it says: Perdue may enter upon the premises of the producer where flock is and shall be located to inspect the flock or facilities. If producer is not satisfactorily performing producer's obligations under the agreement to care for, treat and maintain the flock, or if this agreement has been terminated in accordance with its terms, Perdue may enter upon the premises of producer where the flock is located.

Did you understand, under this paragraph, that they would be entitled to come onto your farm to inspect the flock or the facilities?

- A. Yeah. The field man came every week, sometimes twice.
- Q. Okay. Did you understand the remaining obligations set forth in paragraph E and F on this page, Perdue 002455?
- A. Yeah, they -- they allow you to do the weight, but it was an impossibility, really. You can't be in two places at once.
- Q. And did you understand that under paragraph IVA that the agreement provided that you were to be an independent contractor?
- A. It may read that, but it didn't seem -- it didn't seem that way at all.
- Q. Okay. We will talk about that in a minute.
  - A. Okay.
- Q. Let's go to -- just so I'm clear, do you believe that this June 2006 Agreement was the first one you signed?
- A. I would think it would have been before I got my loan. And this would have to be after. I mean, I really don't -- the earlier date would make more sense if she had signed it. But she didn't sign it.

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first contract I signed, both of us signed it and we were meeting with them before getting the loan.

- Q. Okay. Do you recall any provisions different than the ones we just went over in Perdue 002453 to 2459 in this first contract you believe you signed?
- A. I don't -- I don't have -- I mean, if I had -- I don't remember everything that was said and what I agreed on, honestly, that day because, I mean, that was 2006. I mean, I just don't remember.
- Q. After going through these provisions we just discussed, do you recall any of those not being in the agreement you first signed?
  - A. I -- I can't say. I don't know.
- Q. Well, let's go to the first one, Perdue 0002439 to 2445. Would you look at paragraph --
  - A. This one? On the first one?
  - Q. Yes, let's go to the first one.
  - A. Okay.
- Q. IIA on -- look at section IIA, Producer Agrees, on 002439 through IIM on 2440. Are these the same things that you agreed to in the contract we just discussed that was dated May 18, 2007?
- A. Yeah. I mean, it's -- it might be what -- you know, what -- I just don't know what the

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1	first one said, but, you know, this is apparently
2	one that I signed.
3	Q. What date do you believe you signed the
4	first one?
5	A. Like I said, I don't know. I just know
6	that we both signed it, meeting with them that day
7	before I and I took it to the bank. We had to
8	both sign it to get it to the bank.
9	Q. Okay. Let's go to Perdue 002432 to
10	2438. Do you recall signing this version of the
11	agreement?
12	A. Say it again now, which one? I'm sorry.
13	Q. Perdue 002432 to 2438 dated July 3rd,
14	2007.
15	A. 2432. Mine starts on 2439. Where am I
16	at? I'm sorry. Am I still on the right one?
17	Q. Do you see the agreement dated July 3rd,
18	2007?
19	A. Okay. My bad. I was still on the other
20	one. 2432. Okay. Yeah, I'm here now.
21	Q. Do you recall signing this version of
22	the agreement?
23	A. Yeah. It's the and that's the thing.
24	I mean, they were continually coming at us with

these things, because this is -- this one was

- 5-18-07. This is 7-3-07. So I mean, we were continually bombarded with these.
  - Q. My question was, do you recall signing this agreement?
  - A. I don't recall, but I'm sure I did. My signature is on it.
  - Q. Okay. So let's go to the next one, which in your last deposition -- the next one dated August 18th, 2009, which on the bottom says Perdue 002310 to 002316, which in your last deposition I believe you testified this one governed the Hillsboro farm the entire time you owned it. Is that right?
    - A. I have no clue.
  - Q. Okay. Well, let's go through this one. Do you recall signing this agreement?
    - A. I'm trying to get to it.
      It looks like my signature, yes.
  - Q. Okay. So let's go through paragraph IIA through IIM again, which this is Perdue 002310 through 002311.
    - A. Yes, ma'am.
  - Q. Did you agree to comply with these provisions when you signed this version of the agreement?

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Page 290 1 I believe it's the same as the other It looks like it. 2 3 Ο. Okay. So that's a yes, you agreed to 4 comply with these terms when you signed this 5 agreement? 6 Well, now, they have terms on here also, Α. 7 yeah. 8 Q. I'm asking about you. 9 Α. Just my terms? 10 Yes. Correct. Ο. 11 Okay. The terms, they didn't do it. Α. 12 But anyway --13 Q. I'm asking you. It's important you 14 answer my question. 15 Α. Yeah. On II? 16 Yes. O. 17 Α. Yeah. 18 Ο. Okay. Go to "Other Terms," section III. 19 Α. Other Terms. 20 Did you agree to these terms when you Q. 21 signed this version of the agreement? So Perdue 22 002311, IIIA through IIIF, to Perdue 002312? 23 Yeah, apparently I did. But like I 24 said, we were getting these often. 2.5 Q. Okay. And then on paragraph IVA would

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1	you agree that this paragraph provided that you
2	would be an independent contractor?
3	A. Yeah. But if you didn't sign these, you
4	didn't grow.
5	Q. Okay. I understand. But you signed it.
6	Correct?
7	A. I did, apparently, yeah.
8	Q. Let's go to the next one.
9	A. Okay.
10	Q. And this would be and I apologize if
11	these are out of order here for you the December
12	29, 2014. It says 0716 on the top. And it's Perdue
13	002489 through Perdue 002505.
14	MS. VAUGHN: Are you talking about the
15	Simon Parker Agreement?
16	MS. SANTEN: No. It's a Roger Parker
17	Agreement.
18	MS. VAUGHN: What's the Bates again?
19	MS. SANTEN: 2489 to 2505.
20	MS. VAUGHN: I don't see that one in my
21	stack.
22	THE WITNESS: Is it on the front page?
23	It starts with what now? I'm sorry.
24	MS. SANTEN: (Indicating). This one, it
25	says 2489 at the bottom, December 29th, 2014.

Page 292 MS. VAUGHN: 1 I don't appear to have that one in this stack. 2 3 THE WITNESS: No. 4 Can we go off the record MS. SANTEN: 5 and I will try to figure out these exhibits? 6 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on camera is 7 approximately 9:55 a.m. We are off the record. 8 (Break In Proceedings) THE VIDEOGRAPHER: 9 The time on camera is approximately 10:08 a.m. We are back on the record. 10 11 Counsel, you may proceed. 12 BY MS. SANTEN: 13 Okay, Mr. Parker, we are back from a 14 small break. Do you understand you're still under 15 oath? 16 Α. Yes, ma'am. Okay. Is there anything from your 17 Ο. 18 testimony today that you have provided so far that you need to clarify or you believe is incorrect? 19 20 No, ma'am. Α. 21 If there is anything at any 0. Okay. 22 point -- if there is anything you believe you need 23 to clarify at any time, please let me know. Okay? 24 Α. Okay. 2.5 Q. So before the break we were talking

- about the different agreements. And we took a short break to organize some things here.
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- Q. So I would like to ask you about Perdue 002489 through 2505, which is an agreement dated December 29, 2014 between you and Linda Parker dba Parker's Poultry. Do you see that Agreement?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. It says 01 -- 0716. Do you know what that refers to?
  - A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. Are these your initials and is this your signature on this agreement?
- A. Yeah. I have looked at it and I believe it is.
  - Q. Okay. So let's go to your -- the provisions you're agreeing to when signing this agreement. And that's Producer Agrees, section IIA -- IIA through M which goes from 2489 through, actually, R, 2491.

Review section IIA through R and let me know whether you reviewed and agreed to these provisions when signing this agreement.

A. I think it's the same as the other. Yeah.

- Q. I think if you go to 2491 there is N through R. And I'm not sure we covered these before. So N is: "To comply with any bio-security policies, audits, measures or guidelines required by Perdue." Do you recall reading that provision?
  - A. I'm sorry. Say that again. Which one?
  - Q. N on 2491.

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- A. N? Okay. Okay. Yeah.
- Q. Do you recall reading and agreeing to that provision?
  - A. Bio-security, yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. And O through R, do you recall reading and agreeing to those provisions?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall reviewing the remainder of this agreement and agreeing to its terms when signing it?
- A. I'm sure I did. I just -- as I said, we continually got these, so this is another one.
- Q. Are there any provisions in here that you don't recall reviewing and agreeing to?
- A. I don't recall signing it, but it looks like I did. I mean, to be honest.
- Q. Sitting here today, are there any provisions in this agreement that you do not recall

Parker, Roger v. Perdue Foods, LLC Page 295 reviewing and agreeing to? Like I said, I do not remember doing it, but I had to. So I know it looks -- it's my And you can't identify any provision in here that you do not recall reading and agreeing to.

> MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: I don't recall any of it.

I'm just saying I signed it, so I'm assuming that I -- it was presented to me to sign.

BY MS. SANTEN:

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- Okay. And that you agreed to it when Ο. signing it. Correct?
  - Well, I couldn't -- yeah.
- Ο. Okay. Let's go to the next one. And this one governed your Milledgeville farm then, it looks like.

And the next one is Perdue 002278 through 002294. And this is a Poultry Producer Agreement dated December 29, 2014. It looks like it pertains to the Milledgeville farm. Do you recall reviewing and agreeing to the terms of this agreement?

> Α. Is this the same date as the other one?

- Ο. Yes. It looks like this is for Milledgeville, and the other one was Hillsboro. Α. Okay. Yeah, it would have been the same. Is that your signature on the end? Ο. I looked at it earlier. Yeah. Α. Yeah. So the last two, then. Q. Okay. The next one is dated December 16, 2016, Bates number 002474 to 2488. Is this your signature on this agreement? Α. Now, which one again? I'm sorry. didn't --O. 2474 on the bottom to 2488. And it's December 16, 2016. Α. Yes, ma'am. Okay. Do you recall reviewing -- or is this your signature and are these your initials on
  - A. Yeah, seems to be.

this agreement?

- Q. Okay. Do you recall reviewing and agreeing to the terms of this agreement when you signed it?
- A. I really don't remember doing it, but I signed it, it looks like.
- Q. Okay. And then the next agreement is Perdue 002295 through 2309. And that is an

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Page 297 1 agreement dated December 16, 2016 between you and 2 Linda and Perdue. And this one pertains to the 3 Milledgeville farm. The one we just looked at 4 pertains to the Hillsboro farm. Do you recall 5 reviewing and signing this agreement? 6 But all three has the same date. Α. 7 Q. Is this your signature on here? 8 MS. VAUGHN: Which page are you talking 9 about? 10 MS. SANTEN: The signature on the 11 signature page on 2307. 12 THE WITNESS: 12-16 -- no. Okay. МУ bad. I see it now. Okay. I had two farms. 13 14 It is my signature. 15 BY MS. SANTEN: 16 Okay. And Section IIA through -- and Ο. this is Producer Agrees, IIA on 2295 through IIR on 17 18 Do you also recall reviewing and agreeing to 19 those provisions? 2.0 Α. On the same one? 21 Ο. On the Producer Agrees paragraphs Yes. 22 that we have discussed before. 23 Α. Okay. It seems to be the same as the 24 others. So you agreed to these as well? 25 Q. Okay.

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1	A. I signed this. Yes.
2	Q. Okay. So let's go through some of your
3	claims in this case. So as I understand it, you are
4	contending let me show you the complaint and we
5	can use that.
6	Okay. We will mark this as Exhibit
7	are we on 24? Okay.
8	(Defendant's Exhibit No. 24, Amended Complaint, was
9	marked)
10	THE WITNESS: Are we through with this
11	one?
12	MS. SANTEN: Yes. We will look at it
13	again, I'm sure, but we are through with it for now.
14	BY MS. SANTEN:
15	Q. Do you recognize this document?
16	A. Yes, ma'am.
17	Q. Okay. And what is this document?
18	A. It looks like the Amended Complaint, it
19	says.
20	Q. And did you review this before it was
21	filed?
22	A. Yes. Yes.
23	Q. Okay. What is your understanding of
24	what you're claiming in this lawsuit?
25	A. Basically

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1	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
2	WITNESS CONTINUES:
3	A. Unfair I mean, basically, I was ran
4	out of business, I feel.
5	And it seems, too, that I had upset
6	Perdue and then I was pretty much starved out.
7	That's how I feel.
8	Q. And you testified yesterday that you
9	believe that that's what that this treatment by
LO	Perdue is what caused you to file bankruptcy. Is
L1	that right?
L2	A. Yes. Yeah. Yeah. Some of it, yeah. I
L3	mean, it's yeah.
L4	Q. Okay. So let's go through your
L5	different claims. When is you are claiming that
L6	Perdue breached its contract with you. When did you
L7	first believe Perdue breached a contract with you?
L8	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
L9	THE WITNESS: Well, even going back to
20	some of these I notice that where it talks about
21	they would place chickens we are on the system
22	that if they you know, if I don't get the same
23	kind of bird the next farmer does and we are
24	competing against each other, if I get a lesser

bird, there is a lot of control in that that they

Page 300 1 have. 2 BY MS. SANTEN: 3 You said even going back to some of Ο. 4 these. Which agreement are you referring to? I think it's in all of them, first thing 5 Α. on Perdue's side. 6 7 So are you looking at the agreement 0. 8 dated June 27, 2006? 9 Α. Let me go back. Am I looking at the right one (indicating)? 2006, '14, '16. Okay. 10 Μy 11 bad. 12 Okay. Yeah, the consigning of it. When 13 you're on the system that we are on, you get 14 consigned these -- these baby chicks. And if you 15 get, like I said, an older hen, she -- they just --16 you know, the bird quality is not there. 17 And they -- we get birds from -- we 18 could get birds from Florida. We could get birds 19 from North Carolina. We could get birds from 20 different places that Perdue has them, and those 21 birds might have set on a truck for two days, 22 nothing to eat, nothing to drink, before we ever get 23 them, and they get out and all of a sudden you see 24 1,000 or 2,000 a day dying.

So what provision of the -- of this June

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2006 agreement are you contending that Perdue breached with that?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: They are -- they are assigning birds for the system that we have of growing against each other, to be fair, and the system we are growing don't seem to be fair.

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- Q. Well, what provision in the agreement? You have a breach of contract claim.
- A. To consign available chicks to a producer to be raised, but when we get them they are not -- I mean, they are not worthy to be even put in the house.
- Q. So you believe the first time Perdue breached a contract with you was with this first contract, is that right, in June 2006?
- A. No. No, I'm not saying it went back that far.
  - Q. Well, when is it --
- A. It seemed -- it seemed to start in the early -- just 2015-ish area is when I started really noticing the difference in what I was getting.
- Q. And you believe that violated IA in the contract?

- A. Well, yeah. I was growing under a fair contract that wasn't -- didn't seem to be fair.
- Q. So if we go to the agreement in place, if you say 2015, let's go to the one -- just so that I'm clear, for the record, the 2014 agreements for both of your farms -- this was Exhibit 23, and this would be Perdue 002278 through 002294. And the other one dated 2014, which is 2249 to 2505.

So is it your testimony that you first believe Perdue breached its agreement with you -- and that would be paragraph IA in these agreements, to consign available birds to producer -- around 2015? That's the first time you believe Perdue breached its contract with you?

- A. When I started finding the trailer issues, I went from grower of the year to starting to see this at that time.
- Q. So I'm trying to get a timeline. Was that before 2015 or after? I'm asking, when is the first time you believe Perdue breached its agreement with you?
- A. I'm just saying in that area then. I don't know exactly when I noticed it right off, but I know what was going on is all I know and what was happening at the time.

1 Ο. And so the issue with the consigning 2 chicks, are you testifying that you believe Perdue 3 breached paragraph IA of your agreement? 4 They -- they were consigning available Α. 5 birds to us, but the birds were -- had lack in 6 quality, and I was competing against other people. 7 So do you believe that violates section Q. 8 IA of your contract? 9 MS. VAUGHN: Objection to form. This is his lawsuit. 10 MS. SANTEN: T'm 11 just trying to understand the basis. 12 THE WITNESS: I mean, it wouldn't be fair to me -- didn't seem fair to me. 13 BY MS. SANTEN: 14 15 Okay. So we talked -- so you believe Ο. 16 this was a breach. When is the next time you 17 believe Perdue breached its agreement with you? 18 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. 19 THE WITNESS: Say it again. When did I 2.0 agree --21 BY MS. SANTEN: 22 Well, let's go through. What other 23 paragraphs of this agreement do you believe Perdue 24 breached? 25 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

Page 304 1 BY MS. SANTEN: You have a breach of contract claim, so 2 3 I'm trying to understand the basis for your breach 4 of contract claim. Α. Well --5 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. 6 7 THE WITNESS: -- the -- I'm not -- I'm 8 not a lawyer, so I don't know a lot of the lingo or 9 whatever that, you know, would define that. mean, I could go back -- and we could go back and if 10 11 you give me a chance to talk with -- you know, with 12 my counsel, I can have a better answer --13 (cross-talking). BY MS. SANTEN: 14 15 I'm just trying to -- you have brought a 16 breach of contract claim in your lawsuit. 17 Α. Yeah. 18 Ο. So I'm trying to understand when you first felt Perdue breached your contract and how. 19

THE WITNESS: Well, like I said, I'm not a lawyer in this. But the contract was breached by not -- I mean, we didn't have a fair system, in my opinion.

MS. VAUGHN:

Object to the form.

BY MS. SANTEN:

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- A. Yeah. I mean, it seemed to get more and more through the years.
- Q. So did you feel like you were treated as an employee the entire time you were a grower with Perdue?
  - A. More so than any other integrator I had.
  - Q. Okay. So is that a yes?
  - A. Yes.

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

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- Q. And do you believe that you should have been paid as an employee the entire time, then, as well?
  - MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
- THE WITNESS: I'm not -- I don't -- I'm not -- paid, what do you mean as an employee? Like daily? Are you talking about working daily?

  BY MS. SANTEN:
- Q. Well, you said you felt like you were an employee. So are you -- do you believe you should have been paid like an employee as well?
  - A. Should have, probably.
  - Q. And is that from day one also?
- A. I would -- I would say it goes back -- like I said, it was definitely different than any

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1	other integrator that I had grown for. They didn't
2	dictate everything.
3	Q. Well, I'm trying to get a sense. So
4	would you agree, then, that you believe you should
5	have been paid as an employee from day one also?
6	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
7	THE WITNESS: I really don't know the
8	answer to it other than I definitely wasn't
9	independent.
10	BY MS. SANTEN:
11	Q. Okay. And you felt that from day one?
12	A. Like I said, more so than anywhere else
13	I had been.
14	Q. And your lawsuit alleges that you
15	believe that breached the agreement. Is that right?
16	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
17	THE WITNESS: I don't have a clue what
18	all it alleges.
19	BY MS. SANTEN:
20	Q. Okay. Well, your agreement said you
21	would be treated as an independent contractor.
22	Right?
23	A. What now?
24	Q. Your agreement provides you would be
25	treated as an independent contractor. Correct?

- A. Well, yes, I think that's what it says, yeah.
  - Q. But you don't agree that you were from day one. Correct?
    - A. I didn't feel that way.
  - Q. Okay. And you felt they violated the agreement in that way from day one. Is that right?
  - A. Yeah. I mean, that's one of the things that didn't feel right about growing, the difference in the growing.
  - Q. What other ways do you think Perdue breached the agreement with you?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: Breached the agreement.

See, I don't know what all the agreement -- because to me, giving me chickens that I can grow and make them money was the goal for me. But when I'm getting lesser quality in feed, in chickens, and they controlled all of that, it made it hard for me.

BY MS. SANTEN:

- Q. So do you understand in this lawsuit you also claim that Perdue negligently misrepresented the nature of your relationship?
  - A. I don't understand that.

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

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1	BY MS. SANTEN:
2	Q. Well, they misrepresented your
3	relationship, do you understand you're claiming that
4	in this lawsuit?
5	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
6	THE WITNESS: They misrepresented, I'm
7	not a lawyer, so I'm having trouble with it.
8	BY MS. SANTEN:
9	Q. Okay. Well, let's go to your complaint,
10	just so that I'm sure I understand when when you
11	first believed these various things.
12	Okay. Go to page 25 of your lawsuit.
13	A. Do I have that?
14	Q. Yeah. Do you have the amended complaint
15	in front of you?
16	A. Yes, ma'am.
17	Q. Go to page 25 of that.
18	A. Okay.
19	Q. Okay. And this is a claim for negligent
20	misrepresentation. And so read through these
21	paragraphs and let me know when the first time you
22	felt that was happening was.
23	A. Basically, on some of these I had told
24	them what had gone on during and it was written
25	in lawyer form and, you know, we did go through

Page 312 1 this, but I just honestly can't remember the definition of some of it. 2 3 Well, when is the first time you Ο. 4 believed Perdue misrepresented something? MS. VAUGHN: Object to form, calls for 5 legal conclusion. 6 BY MS. SANTEN: 7 8 A date is not a legal conclusion. 9 just trying to understand the basis --10 MS. VAUGHN: Misrepresented is a legal 11 term. 12 BY MS. SANTEN: 13 I'm trying to understand the basis for your claims. When is the first time you felt this 14 15 way? 16 Well, when I started, especially after -- when I felt they were starving me out was 17 18 when --19 And you testified earlier you believed Q. 20 that was around 2015. Is that right? 21 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form, 22 misstates --23 THE WITNESS: That's when I started 24 reporting that I was basically having other people's 25 trailers weighed in as my trailers.

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Page 313 1 BY MS. SANTEN: 2 When do you first believe that they 3 misrepresented that you were an independent 4 contractor? Object to form. 5 MS. VAUGHN: BY MS. SANTEN: 6 7 Was that day one also? Q. 8 Α. That pretty much --9 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. 10 WITNESS CONTINUES: 11 -- like I said, started, but seemingly Α. 12 got worse than what I had experienced with other 13 integrators. Other integrators just don't, pretty 14 much, lord over everything, you know? 15 When did that start with Perdue? 16 one as well? Well, it went through the -- but 17 18 seemingly got worse, especially when I felt they 19 were starving me out at the end. 2.0 O. Well, when it did start? 21 Like I said, on that part it was Α. 22 different day one, but got worse after I found the 23 trailers that they were weighing from other growers 24 and putting it on mine. 25 Q. That was 2015?

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Q. Okay. So you testified earlier, and I don't want to put words in your mouth, kind of day one you felt -- with Perdue, because it was different with other integrators, you felt you were being treated like an employee. Is that right?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: I felt that they were -- well, they controlled pretty much everything that they did.

## BY MS. SANTEN:

- Q. So you felt you were treated as an employee from day one. Is that accurate?
  - A. Like I said, it wasn't as bad at first.
  - O. My question was, did you --
  - A. But it was still there.
- Q. My question -- okay. So my question was, did you feel like you were being treated as an employee day one?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: I don't know what it -you know, what is all contributing to an employee
and what you mean by that. But it's -- everybody is
an employee of somebody, I guess.

BY MS. SANTEN:

- Ο. And you're contending that Perdue pretty much controlled everything. Is that right?
  - Other than when I went to bed. Α.
- O. Okay. When did that start? When did they start pretty much controlling everything?
- I just -- I said twice now that it Α. started, unlike any other integrator I had, from day one, but got worse when I thought I was helping and telling them that I was getting -- you know, the trailers were not -- those numbers that they were counting as my weight was not my trailer.
  - And that was 2015 timeframe? O.
  - Α. In that timeframe, yeah.
- Did that impact your settlement 0. Okay. at that time? The trailer weight issue, did that impact how you got paid?
- Well, you know, I'm sure it did. Α. mean, if I have got somebody else's chickens from another farm that was not my chickens that I grew, I don't know where my chickens went. So there is another farmer that apparently -- I don't -- I don't how they did that. I don't know why they did that.
- Did that result in you getting less money? Is that right?
  - Α. There again, I don't know what -- I

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don't know the weights. I don't know anything. I don't know how they did it. I don't know why they did it. I don't know the purpose for changing trailers, as far as me getting somebody else's trailer.

- Q. But do you believe that that damaged you financially?
- A. Yeah. I mean, I know that I had growouts that I had disagreements, and I never -- and I growed since I was nineteen years old, I never said anything about a growout to any integrator until that -- until that one. That was actually eventually turned to USDA. And USDA, they -- Perdue did not want USDA to come and investigate it and gave me \$8,000.
- Q. Okay. Let's go back to -- I'm going to help here. Let's go back to your breach of contract claim.

Go to page 23 in your complaint. Okay. So here it seems -- and I don't want to put words in your mouth, but I'm trying to figure out when all this happened and why. Paragraph 114, "Perdue breached Parker's agreement by failing to treat him as an independent contractor or allowing him to utilize his independent judgment and skill."

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1	before and allowed you to use independent judgment
2	and skill before that?
3	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
4	THE WITNESS: As far as the
5	independence, it wasn't like I said, it was I
6	have said it before, it was never there in
7	comparison to where I had grown for other
8	integrators as 1099 employees.
9	BY MS. VAUGHN:
LO	Q. Do you believe Perdue ever allowed
L1	ever allowed you to use your independent judgment
L2	and skill in the performance of your work?
L3	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
L4	THE WITNESS: Independent judgment and
L5	skill. They pretty much controlled everything, so I
L6	don't guess.
L7	BY MS. SANTEN:
L8	Q. So do you believe they ever allowed you
L9	to use your independent judgment and skill
20	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
21	BY MS. SANTEN:
22	Q the entire time you were a grower?
23	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
24	THE WITNESS: There again, compared to
25	other integrators that I have grown to that I had

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1	grown for, it was totally different in how they
2	treated and how they managed on a daily
3	BY MS. SANTEN:
4	Q. My question was, do you believe Perdue
5	ever allowed you to use your independent judgment
6	and skill when performing services for them at any
7	time, or did they never do that?
8	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
9	THE WITNESS: I guess not, not totally.
10	BY MS. SANTEN:
11	Q. And that started in the beginning?
12	A. Like I said, it was different from the
13	beginning, yes.
14	Q. Okay. Did Perdue subject in your
15	opinion, subject you to supervision over everything
16	from the beginning?
17	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
18	THE WITNESS: Supervision, they
19	supervise every aspect of it, yes.
20	BY MS. SANTEN:
21	Q. And in what ways do you believe they
22	supervised you that led you to believe you were not
23	an independent contractor?
24	A. Well, you want me to go through the

list?

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1	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
2	BY MS. SANTEN:
3	Q. All right. Thank you.
4	We talked about negligent
5	misrepresentation. Can you explain to me in what
6	ways you think Perdue misrepresented the
7	relationship?
8	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
9	THE WITNESS: I don't know, really, how
10	to answer that.
11	BY MS. SANTEN:
12	Q. Okay. What damages are you seeking in
13	this lawsuit?
14	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
15	THE WITNESS: I don't. I don't
16	understand.
17	BY MS. SANTEN:
18	Q. What relief are you seeking in this
19	lawsuit? What money are you looking for?
20	A. I haven't I haven't requested money,
21	that I know of.
22	Q. So you don't believe you're seeking any
23	money from Perdue?
24	A. I haven't asked for an amount.
25	Q. What are you seeking in this lawsuit?

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1	Are you seeking to recover any money?
2	A. No. I'm seeking to help other farmers
3	not to go through what I went through.
4	Q. So is it your testimony that you're not
5	asking Perdue for any money in this lawsuit?
6	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
7	THE WITNESS: I'm not saying that that
8	may not happen. I'm not saying it won't happen, it
9	will or it won't, but it's not my goal.
10	BY MS. SANTEN:
11	Q. Well, what money are you seeking from
12	Perdue? What are you looking for in this lawsuit?
13	A. I just said I'm not asking I haven't
14	asked for a dollar figure. I'm asking for other
15	farmers to not have to go through what I went
16	through because it was not right.
17	Q. What is your understanding of what
18	relief you're seeking in this lawsuit?
19	A. What you do mean? I told you. I have
20	answered this three times.
21	Q. Are you asking for overtime? Are you
22	asking for unpaid benefits?
23	A. I'm not I haven't I haven't put
24	Q. What are you asking for?
25	A. I haven't put a number

Page 334 1 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. WITNESS CONTINUES: 2 3 That was not my goal. Α. -- on that. 4 Well, is it your testimony, then, that Q. 5 you're not asking for any money in this lawsuit? 6 Object to form. MS. VAUGHN: 7 THE WITNESS: It's not my testimony of 8 anything one way or the other on finances. 9 don't -- I'm not -- I'm not seeking -- it's not my 10 goal. 11 BY MS. SANTEN: 12 So are you not asking for any money? Ο. 13 I'm just trying to understand. 14 Α. I just told you. 15 MS. VAUGHN: Object to form. 16 BY MS. SANTEN: 17 Okay. So it looks -- if you go to page Ο. 18 26, this is the complaint that your lawyers filed on your behalf. 19 20 Α. Okay. 21 It says, paragraph D, "Punitive Ο. 22 There's a number of things listed, so I'm Damages." 23 just trying to understand what you're asking for as 24 part of this lawsuit. 2.5 Α. I don't have a number, if that will help

Page 335 1 you. 2 Are you asking for money as part of this O. 3 lawsuit? 4 Α. I'm not -- I'm not saying that. 5 just saying I have told you the same answer four 6 times, and I'm trying to get you to see that that's 7 not my goal. 8 Well, I'm asking, are you not asking for 9 any money at all? 10 Α. This -- yeah. I mean, I know I was done 11 wrong financially so -- I mean, that's not my decision though. 12 13 Ο. But what are -- so what are you trying 14 to get in this lawsuit, that's what I'm asking you, 15 money? 16 I want to help other farmers not go Α. 17 through what I went through. 18 Ο. So what money are you asking for in this 19 lawsuit? 20 I don't have a dollar figure, and I said Α. 21 that. 22 Do you understand that you're seeking 0. 23 overtime compensation as part of this lawsuit? 24 It may be, but I'm not putting a number

I don't have that.

on it.

- A. It's hard to -- you know, they -- things weren't right. I don't -- I can't understand -- I don't understand damage and I don't understand monetary, you know, this or that. I just know that things weren't right.
- Q. Okay. So sitting here today you're not able to tell me what money you're looking for from this lawsuit?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: I don't have dollar

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BY MS. SANTEN:

- Q. Okay. And sitting here today you're not able to identify any other paragraph in your contracts that you believe Perdue breached?
  - MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

## BY MS. SANTEN:

- O. And take your time. This is not a --
- A. I don't -- where are we at now? Are we going back to the other thing?
- Q. No. You have a breach of contract claim, so I'm just trying to be sure I understand every single paragraph you think Perdue breached.
- A. I don't have the answer to that because I basically shared the story and, you know, with my

Page 338 1 attorneys, and they would have known what was 2 breached and what wasn't breached, not me. I mean, I don't know all that. 3 4 Well, then let's go in here. Did you O. review this complaint before it was filed? 5 6 Yes, ma'am. Α. 7 Q. Okay. So let's go back to the paragraph 8 of breach of contract just to make sure I understand 9 it all. 10 But understanding everything a lawyer 11 wrote is different than reading something. 12 O. This was filed on your behalf, sir, so I'm just trying to understand. 13 14 Α. I understand that. 15 So we talked about 114. Ο. Okav. 16 talked about 115. Do you believe that --17 Α. 114. So you say: "Perdue, in breach 18 Ο. Okay. of the contract" -- this is paragraph 117 -- "Perdue 19 20 refused to provide Parker with accurate information 21 used to determine his compensation." When did that 22 first happen? Let's see. Now, 114, is that what you 23 Α. 24 said? 2.5 Q. 117.

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- Q. "In breach of the contract, Perdue refused to provide Parker with accurate information used to determine Parker's compensation." When did that first happen?
- A. Yeah. The pay seemed to be off. And I requested -- because the system they have, it is impossible almost for a grower to figure because you're going between feed, you're going between amount of birds you get, and you're going between type birds you get. And then, you know, how many days you grow versus someone else, but you're supposed to compete with someone else and you get money taken away from you. And I -- I have tried to get an understanding of how everything worked and requested that I get information that I could figure myself.
- Q. When did you first request that information?
- A. That was -- Lord, that was probably in 2017, 2016, just guessing.
- Q. And so you believe the first time you requested that information was 2017 or 2016, and Perdue didn't give it to you. Is that right?
  - A. Well, they even -- they tried but it

- was -- it wasn't -- they couldn't because there was
  too many factors.
- Q. My question is, was that the first time that happened? You have here that you believe they breached the contract -- and I'm just right in your complaint -- when they refused to provide you with accurate information. Is the first time that happened 2016 or 2017?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: It's in that timeframe. I just don't know when. But if they couldn't show me how to do it, how do they do it was my question.

BY MS. SANTEN:

- Q. Do you believe that Perdue breached the contracts when allowing flock advisors to come onto your farm?
  - A. No.
- Q. Okay. You indicate here that Perdue didn't provide you with sufficient inputs for raising chickens. When do you believe that started?
  - A. Say that again now. They wouldn't --
- Q. Wouldn't provide you with sufficient inputs for raising chickens. When do you believe that started?
  - A. Inputs. What number are we looking at?

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Page 341 1 Ο. 118. 2 Α. Well, that would be feed. Birds. 3 2000 -- when I started noticing things, me think. 4 2016-ish. I'm just -- I'm just guessing that timeframe, really, because I don't really know the 5 exact date. 6 7 And is it your testimony that before Ο. 8 2016 Perdue provided sufficient inputs for you at 9 all times? Do what now? 10 Α. 11 Do you believe, prior to 2016, Perdue Ο. 12 did provide sufficient inputs to you at all times? 13 Α. I really don't know. I don't know how 14 to -- it's just when I started realizing -- you 15 know, when I saw it, feed that they said was there 16 wasn't there. You know, I can't -- it's just --17 it's just things I started noticing. 18 Ο. And do you believe Perdue subjected you 19 to mandatory quidelines the entire time you were a 20 grower? 21 Α. I mean, yeah, the guidelines were 22 I don't think they were optional. mandatory. 23 Q. Okay. And that started in 2006? Yes, ma'am. 24 Α.

Okay. So in paragraph 119 you say:

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1	THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry. Can you			
2	say your answer again?			
3	THE WITNESS: Not when getting the			
4	contract. Sorry.			
5	BY MS. VAUGHN:			
6	Q. And were the specific upgrades and			
7	requirements more than you had expected when you			
8	signed the contract?			
9	MS. SANTEN: Objection, vague.			
10	THE WITNESS: They was continually			
11	adding things to do. But no, I didn't expect it,			
12	no.			
13	BY MS. VAUGHN:			
14	Q. And when you say they were continually			
15	adding things, were you referring to upgrades and			
16	equipment they wanted you to have?			
17	A. Yes.			
18	Q. And when you say they were continually			
19	adding things, was that over the course of your			
20	relationship with Perdue or just in a specific time			
21	period?			
22	A. No. It started a couple months after I			
23	bought the first farm. Then they immediately had			
24	to had to put in the cool cells and stuff.			
25	Q. How about after you called USDA, did the			

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1	upgrades and equipment that they were requiring
2	change after that point?
3	A. After USDA the they had given me a
4	quite extensive list of things they wanted done.
5	Q. And was that list consistent with your
6	expectations on what they would require based on
7	your prior work with them, or was it different?
8	MS. SANTEN: Objection, vague.
9	THE WITNESS: No. It was a good bit
10	different.
11	BY MS. VAUGHN:
12	Q. In what way?
13	A. It was thousands of dollars of stuff
14	that all of a sudden they wanted done. And, you
15	know, and instead of normally allowing you time to
16	do that, I had no time.
17	BY MS. VAUGHN:
18	Q. Let's turn to in this contract still
19	in Exhibit 23 from May 2007, if you could turn,
20	Mr. Parker, to the second page which, at the bottom,
21	says 2454.
22	A. 2454?
23	Q. Uh-huh.
24	A. Okay. These are turned upside down.

It's in the same contract we were just

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1	in.
2	A. Okay. My bad. 2454.
3	Q. The second page.
4	A. Okay. I thought we were changing
5	contracts. Okay. My bad.
6	Q. All right. And do you see the section
7	III there at the bottom that says "Other Terms"?
8	A. Yes, ma'am.
9	Q. All right. And do you see letter A
LO	under section III?
L1	A. Yes, ma'am.
L2	Q. Do you see where it says: "Producer
L3	shall perform the services hereunder using Perdue's
L <b>4</b>	established procedures?" Do you see that there?
L5	A. I do.
L6	Q. Now, at the time that you were given
L7	this contract to sign were all of Perdue's
L8	procedures laid out in this contract?
L9	A. I'm trying to think. I don't think so.
20	I don't see that.
21	Q. For example, did Perdue tell you the
22	specific temperature you had to keep your houses on?
23	A. That was a continual change, different
24	temperatures, and every time yeah, that would
25	change all the time.

- Q. And at the time you signed your first contract with Perdue when they presented this contract to you, did you expect that Perdue would tell you specifically what sort of temperature, what sort of lighting and things you had to have in your houses?

  A. I never experienced that before, no.

  Q. And all of the requirements that Perdue
  - put on you, were they in other documents that Perdue gave you over the years?
    - A. Say at that again, please.

THE WITNESS:

Q. All the requirements that Perdue put on you, were they in other documents that Perdue gave you over the years?

MS. SANTEN: Objection, vague.

I don't -- I don't know.

I don't -- I don't think so. I think the contracts were different than -- they didn't really have some of the things in it that they required.

BY MS. VAUGHN:

- Q. The contracts didn't have some of the requirements in them?
  - A. Right.
  - Q. So when -- strike that.

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1	"never dos" and "always dos"?					
2	A. Yeah. I think there were three of					
3	those, never do, sometimes, and there was three					
4	of them, anyway, and I can't remember them.					
5	Q. And did those documents have additional					
6	requirements you had to follow under Perdue?					
7	MS. SANTEN: Objection, vague.					
8	THE WITNESS: Yeah. I would have to					
9	look at those again to to remember exactly what					
LO	they were. But I do remember that was they had a					
L1	list of never dos, you know, and I remember that					
L2	list.					
L3	BY MS. VAUGHN:					
L4	Q. And those lists, the never dos, that's					
L5	different from the contract you signed?					
L6	MS. SANTEN: Objection, vague.					
L7	THE WITNESS: It is.					
L8	BY MS. VAUGHN:					
L9	Q. How about bio-security rules? Did the					
20	contracts lay out all of the specific bio-security					
21	rules you had to follow?					
22	A. No.					
23	Q. Were those given to you in other					
24	documents?					
25	A. Yeah.					

Page 368 1 there. 2 Α. Exhibit 22. Okay. Thank you. 3 And it looks like there's two stapled O. 4 packets in Exhibit 22. Is that what you have, two different stapled packets? 5 6 Statement? That one? Α. 7 Q. Yes. Okay. So let's talk about the one that has the 8 Bates number at the bottom Parker 2551. 9 10 Α. Okay. 11 Do you see that one? O. 12 Α. Yes, ma'am. 13 Ο. All right. And does this appear to be a 14 letter from Kathryn Mizell to you? 15 Α. It does. 16 And who was Kathryn Mizell? Ο. 17 She was, like, over the flock Α. 18 supervisors. She was like a superintendent. Okay. And do you see here that this is 19 Q. 20 dated October 16, 2018? 21 Α. Yes. 22 That's toward the end of your Ο. Okay. 23 time growing for Perdue? 24 Α. It was. 2.5 Q. All right. And about halfway down the

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1	page Ms. Mizell says: "To be compliant with the			
2	Poultry Producer Agreement, you need to complete the			
3	following prior to the next placement is scheduled."			
4	Do you see that?			
5	A. Yes.			
6	Q. All right. And do you see a numbered			
7	list there?			
8	A. I do.			
9	Q. So something like number 4: "All			
10	0 propane tanks are 70% full," is that a requirement			
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12	A. Yes. I had never seen that before.			
13	Q. That was a new requirement?			
14	A. It was.			
15	Q. All right. You can put that aside.			
16	All right. Going back for a moment to			
17	Exhibit 23, and back to this December 2016 contract			
18	with the Exhibit 4 sticker on the bottom			
19	A. Okay.			
20	Q and that's Bates Perdue 2295. Are			
21	you there?			
22	A. Yes.			
23	Q. Okay. Turn to the third page in this			
24	agreement from 2016. And at the top there is a			
25	letter N. Do you see that on the Bates 2297?			

Page 371 1 questions? 2 Α. "Inputs" meaning --The feed, the medications. 3 0. Okay. 4 Α. 5 The birds. Do you remember those Ο. questions? 6 7 Α. Yes. At some point did you receive feed from 8 Ο. 9 Perdue that had concrete chunks in it? I did. 10 Α. 11 And was that before or after you called Ο. 12 USDA? 13 Α. It was after. If my memory serves me 14 right, I'm pretty sure. Oh, yeah, it was after. 15 And in response to Ms. Santen's 16 questions about what your legal claims are in this case, you noted that you're not a lawyer, so I want 17 18 to follow up on that for a minute. Do you know the 19 legal definition of "negligent misrepresentation"? 2.0 Α. No. 21 So can you answer a question of when 22 Perdue may have legally negligently misrepresented 23 something? Well, not really. I don't understand 24 25 the indepth of that. I don't quite understand it.

- Q. Do you know the legal definition of "independent contractor" or -- do you know the legal definition of "independent contractor"?
  - A. Not legal, no.
- Q. Do you know the legal definition of an employee?
  - A. Not legally.
- Q. So can you answer a question of whether, under the law, you were properly classified as an independent contractor?
  - MS. SANTEN: Object to form.
  - THE WITNESS: No.

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- Q. Ms. Santen asked you if you had stated in your deposition, today and yesterday, all of the allegations that support your claims. Do you remember those questions?
  - A. I do.
- Q. Mr. Parker, are you aware that the parties have exchanged lots of documents in this case?
- A. No. But I'm assuming they did, but I don't know what they are.
- Q. Have you reviewed some documents in this case?

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1	Q. Ms. Santen asked you about money or				
2	financial damage that you suffered by Perdue. Do				
3	you remember those questions?				
4	A. Say that again. I'm sorry.				
5	Q. Ms. Santen asked you about financial				
6	damages you suffered from Perdue. Do you remember				
7	those questions?				
8	A. Yes.				
9	Q. At some point did Perdue tell you they				
L 0	wouldn't place any more chickens on your farm?				
L1	A. They did.				
L 2	Q. And at some point did Perdue also give				
L 3	you a list of requirements for you to be able to				
L 4	sell your farm?				
L 5	A. Yes.				
L 6	Q. Were you able to sell your farm if				
L 7	Perdue refused to give the buyer a contract?				
L 8	A. On the other one, yeah.				
L 9	I'm sorry. Say that one more time.				
20	Q. Were you able to sell your farm if				
21	Perdue refused to give the buyer a contract?				
22	A. Yes.				
23	Q. You were able				
24	A. No, I wasn't.				

-- to sell your farm?

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1	A. No, I was not able to sell it unless I					
2	had a contract.					
3	Q. And what happened to the Milledgeville					
4	farm when you didn't have a contract on it?					
5	A. Well, are you talking about to sell it					
6	or					
7	Q. Yeah.					
8	A. I had to have a contract with Perdue, or					
9	the houses are really worthless without a working					
10	contract.					
11	Q. And did you try to sell it?					
12	A. I did.					
13	Q. Were you able to?					
14	A. No. The upgrades that were required by					
15	them actually, the realtor told me he had never					
16	seen a list like it before. But it was so					
17	indepth if I remember, the quote was almost a					
18	half million dollars, and they would not even					
19	guarantee that. Said it would be higher. That was					
20	a starting point for everything that was on the					
21	list.					
22	Q. All right. And I want to ask you some					
23	things about what Ms. Santen asked you yesterday.					
24	So first, Ms. Santen asked you early					
25	yesterday about some things you did to prepare for					

- A. No. I said another farmer said,
  "Uh-oh." And I heard him say that at one of the
  meetings when he saw that I had him. I don't even
  know the guy's name.
- Q. Are you aware of any other growers who Bradley gave more requirements -- or who Bradley treated differently than you -- treated more leniently than you?
- A. Well, from hearing this girl from South Georgia talk, they had been in situations where he was. I'm not personally familiar with him, but other growers were.
- Q. Okay. So you have no personal knowledge of --
  - A. I do not, no.
- Q. Okay. When is the first time Perdue gave you worse inputs if you raised tare weights?
  - A. I'm sorry. I didn't hear that.
- Q. Your counsel asked about Perdue giving you worse inputs if you raised tare weights. Do you recall that?
- A. Worse inputs. I'm trying to get an understanding of what that means. Or what do you mean by "worse inputs"?
  - Q. Well, you answered the question before

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inputs that we are talking about. And demands were all of a sudden escalated and, you know, things all the way across, growing for them, seemed to multiply.

- Q. Okay. And is it your testimony that you were never subject to those inputs or demands before this time period?
  - A. No. Not this way, no.
- Q. Okay. What additional requirements did Perdue put on you after you called USDA?
- A. Like I said, I have all these upgrades. I have got things to -- you know, all of a sudden I went from being able to -- they would give -- when a farmer, instead of the bird suffering, they would help farmers by giving them interest-free loans and help them put in water lines and feed lines. But all of a sudden that was cut off after telling me that -- telling me that I could have it.

I wasn't treated as other farmers were treated with that.

And the excuse was I didn't put in my water lines, when I did put in my water lines. I just couldn't afford a \$6,000 bill.

But prior to that it wasn't that. It was until I paid the loan off. So those things --

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1	Q. Okay. So other than water lines, what
2	else?
3	A. So those things. The general oversight
4	was higher. The field man was on me more. He is
5	taking pictures that I have never seen done before.
6	Q. Are you aware of the field man taking
7	pictures of any other grower?
8	A. No.
9	Q. Do you know, one way or the other,
10	whether he took pictures of any other grower?
11	A. I have never had a field man take
12	pictures at my house.
13	Q. Do you know of the amount of oversight
14	he was exercising over other growers?
15	A. I don't know about other growers.
16	Q. All right. What else?
17	A. I don't know. It was obvious that I was
18	being, in my opinion, run out of business. I had
19	Q. I'm asking you what specific things you
20	were subject to that other growers were not.
21	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.
22	THE WITNESS: That I was I just went
23	through a few of them.
24	BY MS. SANTEN:
25	Q. Anything else?

- A. I mean that -- like I said, I went through a few there. I'm really trying to think.
- I have had them -- they showed up all of a sudden. Well, they showed up at catch more than I had ever seen them before.
- Q. Are you aware of whether they showed up at catch for other growers more than they showed up for you at that point or the same amount?
- A. The only thing I know, I hadn't seen them before during catch. I guess that's it.
  - Q. Okay. Thank you.
- A. I'm sure I can think of something. I just can't think of it now.
- Q. When I asked you at length to discuss all the facts that you believe support your claims, you said that's all you could think of. And your counsel asked and said there are various documents -- you said there are various documents and emails. Sitting here today, what documents or emails do you believe support your claims?

MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.

THE WITNESS: I don't have all of them that y'all have shared with each other, so I don't -- it would be hard for me to --

25 BY MS. SANTEN:

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1	Q. Well, which specific ones are you				
2	referring to so I know?				
3	A. I don't know because I hadn't seen them.				
4	Q. Thank you. That's good.				
5	You talked about the never dos and				
6	always dos. Is that a Perdue-established procedure?				
7	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.				
8	THE WITNESS: Then when I say I hadn't				
9	seen, I hadn't seen what y'all shared. That's what				
10	I'm mean by that.				
11	BY MS. SANTEN:				
12	Q. But I'm asking you to identify any				
13	specific documents or emails. You said you can't				
14	today. Is that right?				
15	A. I have seen				
16	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.				
17	THE WITNESS: I have seen, I think, all				
18	the documents. But, you know, I can't you know,				
19	I don't know that I have.				
20	BY MS. SANTEN:				
21	Q. Well, you can't name a specific				
22	document, sitting here today?				
23	A. No, no, I can't name a specific one.				
24	Q. Okay. I asked, the never dos and always				
25	dos, is that a Perdue-established procedure?				

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1	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.			
2	THE WITNESS: Yes, that I as far as			
3	my knowledge, it is.			
4	BY MS. SANTEN:			
5	Q. The different requirements that your			
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7	Perdue-established procedures?			
8	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.			
9	THE WITNESS: I don't as far as I			
10	know, they control everything, yeah.			
11	BY MS. SANTEN:			
12	Q. Okay. So I have a few more questions			
13	and then I'm done.			
14	A. It's all good. It almost home time.			
15	Q. That's right.			
16	Okay. Did anyone with Perdue ever tell			
17	you that you had to use First Financial Bank to			
18	finance?			
19	MS. VAUGHN: Object to form.			
20	THE WITNESS: No. I feel led that way,			
21	though.			
22	BY MS. SANTEN:			
23	Q. But no one told you that you had to use			
24	them or you wouldn't be under contract with Perdue.			
25	Correct?			

# Errata and Acknowledgment of Deponent

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Deposition of Parker's Poultry Equipment and Plaintiff Roger Dale Parker, Vol. II Deposition taken: April 24, 2025

Page:	Line:	Reads Now:	Should Read:	Reason
311	6	"They	"They misrepresented—"	Typographical
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324	25	"trying to my"	"trying my"	Transcription error
339	7	"because the"	"because of the"	Transcription error
339	11	"type birds"	"type of birds"	Transcription error
351	22	"was the one that got	"he was the one that got rid	Transcription error
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356	24	"James North."	"James Norris."	Transcription error
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/s/ Roger Dale Parker *	May 29, 2025
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## COMMERCIAL LOAN AGREEMENT

Agricultural - Single Advance Term Loan

DATE AND PARTIES. The date of this Commercial Loan Agreement (Agreement) is December 7, 2018. The parties and their addresses are as follows:

## LENDER:

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK 214 North Washington El Dorado, AR 71730

## BORROWER:

ROGER DALE PARKER 897 HIGHWAY 24 E MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061

LINDA GAIL PARKER 897 HIGHWAY 24 E MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061

- 1. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings.
  - A. Accounting Terms. In this Agreement, any accounting terms that are not specifically defined will have their customary meanings under generally accepted accounting principles.
  - B. Insiders. Insiders include those defined as insiders by the United States Bankruptcy Code, as amended; or to the extent left undefined, include without limitation any officer, employee, stockholder or member, director, partner, or any immediate family member of any of the foregoing, or any person or entity which, directly or indirectly, controls, is controlled by or is under common control with me.
  - C. Loan. Loan refers to this transaction generally, including obligations and duties arising from the terms of all documents prepared or submitted for this transaction.
  - D. Loan Documents. Loan Documents refer to all the documents executed as a part of or in connection with the Loan.
  - E. Pronouns. The pronouns "I", "me" and "my" refer to every Borrower signing this Agreement, individually and together with their heirs, successors and assigns, and each other person or legal entity (including guarantors, endorsers, and sureties) who agrees to pay this Agreement. "You" and "your" refers to the Loan's lender, any participants or syndicators, successors and assigns, or any person or company that acquires an interest in the Loan.
  - F. Property. Property is any property, real, personal or intangible, that secures my performance of the obligations of this Loan.
- 2. SINGLE ADVANCE. In accordance with the terms of this Agreement and other Loan Documents, you will provide me with a term note in the amount of \$20,000.00 (Principal). I will receive the funds from this Loan in one advance. No additional advances are contemplated, except those made to protect and preserve your interests as provided in this Agreement or other Loan Documents.
- 3. MATURITY DATE. | agree to fully repay the Loan by December 7, 2028
- 4. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS. I represent and warrant that I have the right and authority to enter into this Agreement. The execution and delivery of this Agreement will not violate any agreement governing me or to which I am a party.
  - A. Hazardous Substances. Except as I previously disclosed in writing and you acknowledge in writing, no Hazardous Substance, underground tanks, private dumps or open wells are currently located at, on, in, under or about the Property.
  - B. Use of Property. After diligent inquiry, I do not know or have reason to know that any Hazardous Substance has been discharged, leached or disposed of, in violation of any Environmental Law, from the property onto, over or into any other property, or from any other property onto, over or into the property.
  - C. Environmental Laws. I have no knowledge or reason to believe that there is any pending or threatened investigation, claim, judgment or order, violation, lien, or other notice under any Environmental Law that concerns me or the property. The property and any activities on the property are in full compliance with all Environmental Law.
  - D. Loan Purpose. The purpose of this Loan is TO UPGRADE FAN MOTORS, PAY GAS BILL, FILL TANKS TO 50% PLUS PAY LOAN FEES AND CLOSING COST.
  - E. No Other Liens. I own or lease all property that I need to conduct my business and activities. I have good and marketable title to all property that I own or lease. All of my Property is free and clear of all liens, security interests, encumbrances and other adverse claims and interests, except those to you or those you consent to in writing.
  - F. Compliance With Laws. I am not violating any laws, regulations, rules, orders, judgments or decrees applicable to me or my property, except for those which I am challenging in good faith through proper proceedings after providing adequate reserves to fully pay the claim and its challenge should I lose.

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- G. Legal Disputes. There are no pending or threatened lawsuits, arbitrations or other proceedings against me or my property that singly or together may materially and adversely affect my property, operations, financial condition, or business.
- H. Adverse Agreements. I am not a party to, nor am I bound by, any agreement that is now or is likely to become materially adverse to my business, Property or operations.
- I. Other Claims. There are no outstanding claims or rights that would conflict with the execution, delivery or performance by me of the terms and conditions of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents. No outstanding claims or rights exist that may result in a lien on the Property, the Property's proceeds and the proceeds of proceeds, except liens that were disclosed to and agreed to by you in writing.
- J. Solvency. I am able to pay my debts as they mature, my assets exceed my liabilities and I have sufficient capital for my current and planned business and other activities. I will not become insolvent by the execution or performance of this Loan.
- 5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. I will prepare and maintain my financial records using consistently applied generally accepted accounting principles then in effect. I will provide you with financial information in a form that you accept and under the following terms.
  - A. Certification. I represent and warrant that any financial statements that I provide you fairly represents my financial condition for the stated periods, is current, complete, true and accurate in all material respects, includes all of my direct or contingent liabilities and there has been no material adverse change in my financial condition, operations or business since the date the financial information was prepared.
  - B. Frequency. I will provide to you on an annual basis my financial statements, tax returns, annual internal audit reports or those prepared by independent accountants as soon as available or at least within days after the close of each of my fiscal years. Any annual financial statements that I provide you will be audited statements.
  - C. SEC Reports. I will provide you with true and correct copies of all reports, notices or statements that I provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission, any securities exchange or my stockholders, owners, or the holders of any material indebtedness as soon as available or at least within days after issuance.
  - D. Requested Information. I will provide you with any other information about my operations, financial affairs and condition within 14 days after your request.
- 6. COVENANTS. Until the Loan and all related debts, liabilities and obligations are paid and discharged, I will comply with the following terms, unless you waive compliance in writing.
  - A. Participation. I consent to you participating or syndicating the Loan and sharing any information that you decide is necessary about me and the Loan with the other participants or syndicators.
  - B. Inspection. Following your written request, I will immediately pay for all one-time and recurring out-of-pocket costs that are related to the inspection of my records, business or Property that secures the Loan. Upon reasonable notice, I will permit you or your agents to enter any of my premises and any location where my Property is located during regular business hours to do the following.
    - (1) You may inspect, audit, check, review and obtain copies from my books, records, journals, orders, receipts, and any correspondence and other business related data.
    - (2) You may discuss my affairs, finances and business with any one who provides you with evidence that they are a creditor of mine, the sufficiency of which will be subject to your sole discretion.
    - (3) You may inspect my Property, audit for the use and disposition of the Property's proceeds and proceeds of proceeds; or do whatever you decide is necessary to preserve and protect the Property and your interest in the Property.

After prior notice to me, you may discuss my financial condition and business operations with my independent accountants, if any, or my chief financial officer and I may be present during these discussions. As long as the Loan is outstanding, I will direct all of my accountants and auditors to permit you to examine my records in their possession and to make copies of these records. You will use your best efforts to maintain the confidentiality of the information you or your agents obtain, except you may provide your regulator, if any, with required information about my financial condition, operation and business or that of my parent, subsidiaries or affiliates.

- C. Business Requirements. I will preserve and maintain my present existence and good standing in the jurisdiction where I am organized and all of my rights, privileges and franchises. I will do all that is needed or required to continue my business or activities as presently conducted, by obtaining licenses, permits and bonds everywhere I engage in business or activities or own, lease or locate my property. I will obtain your prior written consent before I cease my business or before I engage in any new line of business that is materially different from my present business.
- D. Compliance with Laws. I will not violate any laws, regulations, rules, orders, judgments or decrees applicable to me or my Property, except for those which I challenge in good faith through proper proceedings after providing adequate reserves to fully pay the claim and its appeal should I lose. Laws include without limitation the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act requirements for producing goods, the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974's requirements for the establishment, funding and management of qualified deferred compensation plans for employees, health and safety laws, environmental laws, tax laws, licensing and permit laws. On your request, I will provide you with written evidence that I have fully and timely paid my taxes, assessments and other governmental charges levied or imposed on me, my income or profits and my property. Taxes include without limitation sales taxes, use taxes, personal property taxes, documentary stamp taxes, recordation taxes, franchise taxes, income taxes, withholding taxes, FICA taxes and unemployment taxes. I will adequately provide for the payment of these taxes, assessments and other charges that have accrued but are not yet due and payable.
- E. New Organizations. I will obtain your written consent before organizing, merging into, or consolidating with an entity; acquiring all or substantially all the assets of another; materially changing the legal structure, management, ownership or financial condition; or effecting or entering into a domestication, conversion or interest exchange.
- F. Dealings with Insiders. I will not purchase, acquire or lease any property or services from, or sell, provide or lease any property or services to, or permit any outstanding loans or credit extensions to, or otherwise deal with, any Insiders except as required under contracts existing at the time I applied for the Loan and approved by you or as this Agreement otherwise permits. I will not change or breach these contracts existing at Loan application so as to cause an acceleration of or an increase in any payments due.
- G. Other Debts. I will pay when due any and all other debts owed or guaranteed by me and will faithfully perform, or comply with all the conditions and obligations imposed on me concerning the debt or guaranty.

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- I. Notice to You. I will promptly notify you of any material change in my financial condition, of the occurrence of a default under the terms of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or a default by me under any agreement between me and any third party which materially and adversely affects my property, operations, financial condition or business.
- J. Certification of No Default. On your request, my chief financial officer or my independent accountant will provide you with a written certification that to the best of their knowledge no event of default exists under the terms of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, and that there exists no other action, condition or event which with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both would constitute a default. As requested, my chief financial officer or my independent accountant will also provide you with computations demonstrating compliance with any financial covenants and ratios contained in this Agreement. If an action, condition or event of default does exist, the certificate must accurately and fully disclose the extent and nature of this action, condition or event and state what must be done to correct it.
- K. Use of Loan Proceeds. I will not permit the loan proceeds to be used to purchase, carry, reduce, or retire any loan originally incurred to purchase or carry any margin stock or otherwise cause the Loan to violate Federal Reserve Board Regulations U or X, or Section 8 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and its regulations, as amended.
- L. Dispose of No Assets. Without your prior written consent or as the Loan Documents permit, I will not sell, lease, assign, transfer, dispose of or otherwise distribute all or substantially all of my assets to any person other than in the ordinary course of business for the assets' depreciated book value or more.
- M. No Other Liens. I will not create, permit or suffer any lien or encumbrance upon any of my properties for or by anyone, other than you, except for: nonconsensual liens imposed by law arising out of the ordinary course of business on obligations that are not overdue or which I am contesting in good faith after making appropriate reserves; valid purchase money security interests on personal property; or any other liens specifically agreed to by you in writing.
- N. Guaranties. I will not guaranty or become liable in any way as surety, endorser (other than as endorser of negotiable instruments in the ordinary course of business) or accommodation endorser or otherwise for the debt or obligations of any other person or entity, except to you or as you otherwise specifically agree in writing.
- O. No Default under Other Agreements. I will not allow to occur, or to continue unremedied, any act, event or condition which constitutes a default , or which, with the passage of time or giving of notice, or both, would constitute a default under any agreement, document, instrument or undertaking to which I am a party or by which I may be bound.
- P. Legal Disputes. I will promptly notify you in writing of any threatened or pending lawsuit, arbitration or other proceeding against me or any of my property, not identified in my financial statements, or that singly or together with other proceedings may materially and adversely affect my property, operations, financial condition or business. I will use my best efforts to bring about a favorable and speedy result of any of these lawsuits, arbitrations or other proceedings.
- Q. Other Notices. I will immediately provide you with any information that may materially and adversely affect my ability to perform this Agreement and of its anticipated effect.
- R. Loan Obligations. I will make full and timely payment of all principal and interest obligations, and comply with the other terms and agreements contained in this Agreement and in the other Loan Documents.
- S. Insurance. I will obtain and maintain insurance with insurers, in amounts and coverages that are acceptable to you and customary with industry practice. This may include without limitation insurance policies for public liability, fire, hazard and extended risk, workers compensation, and, at your request, business interruption and/or rent loss insurance. At your request, I will deliver to you certified copies of all of these insurance policies, binders or certificates. I will obtain and maintain a mortgagee clause (or lender loss payable clause) endorsement - naming you as the loss payee. If you require, I will also obtain an "additional insured" endorsement - naming you as an additional insured. I will immediately notify you of cancellation or termination of insurance. I will require all insurance policies to provide you with at least 10 days prior written notice to you of cancellation or modification. I consent to you using or disclosing information relative to any contract of insurance required by the Loan for the purpose of replacing this insurance. I also authorize my insurer and you to exchange all relevant information related to any contract of insurance required by any document executed as part of this
- T. Property Maintenance. I will keep all tangible and intangible property that I consider necessary or useful in my business in good working condition by making all needed repairs, replacements and improvements and by making all rental, lease or other payments due on this property.
- U. Property Loss. I will immediately notify you, and the insurance company when appropriate, of any material casualty, loss or depreciation to the Property or to my other property that affects my business.
- V. Life Insurance. I will maintain all life insurance policies assigned to you as Property.
- W. Reserves. You may set aside and reserve Loan proceeds for Loan interest, fees and expenses, taxes, and insurance. I grant you a security interest in the reserves.

No interest will accrue on any reserve Loan proceeds. Disbursement of reserves is disbursement of the Loan's proceeds, At my request, you will disburse the reserves for the purpose they were set aside for, as long as I am not in default under this Agreement. You may directly pay these reserved items, reimburse me for payments I made, or reduce the reserves and increase the Loan proceeds available for disbursement.

- X. Additional Taxes. I will pay all filing and recording costs and fees, including any recordation, documentary or transfer taxes or stamps, that are required to be paid with respect to this Loan and any Loan Documents.
- Y. Additional Covenants. 1. To manage the operation according to prudent farm management practices, utilizing farm management advice from Integrator and Cooperative Extension Service to maximize farm productivity and profitability.
- 2. To provide the lender within 120 days after the close of the Borrower's fiscal year, annual balance sheets and income/expense statements. In addition to any and all financial reports and disclosures of any kind called for by these covenants or by any other documents signed or provided by the Borrower to Lender, Borrower agrees to provide or cause to be provided to Lender any and all tax returns filed by Borrower or by any principal of Borrower or by any guarantor hereof (during the term hereof or the year preceding its execution) and to provide to Lender, at the time hereof and hereafter, original executed IRS forms enabling Lender to obtain such returns(or portions thereof or documents relating thereto) directly from the IRS (for said term and the preceding year) including but not limited to Form 2848, Form 4506, Form 4506-T and Form 8821 and replacements thereof and revisions thereto, as to which these covenants shall also serve as authorization to Lender to fill in any blanks or dates in such forms, as shall be necessary or desirable to complete said form or forms and make them useful for the purposes described herein. In the event Borrower fails to provide Lender with the

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required Tax Returns by the agreed date and Lender obtains them from the IRS, Borrower shall be responsible for any costs associated there-with and is authorized to recover those costs from Borrower's Escrow Account.

- 3. To not sell any assets pledged as security to the lender without prior written consent from the lender.
- 4. To not sell any capital assets without prior written consent from the lender.
- 5. To maintain at least a 110% debt service margin. Borrower has made its own determination that its operation can produce that debt service margin, and has not relied on any statements or projections by lender in that regard.
- 6. To not to assume the liabilities or obligations of others.
- 7. To limit family living expenses to a reasonable amount, so as to not impair the operation's ability to pay its financial obligations as agreed.
- 8. To carry all risk hazard insurance on all buildings and other improvements held as security by the lender for the term of the loan. This insurance must include collapse coverage for poultry, turkey, and hog facilities or other similar type confinement facilities. This insurance shall be in an amount equal to the appraised value of these items as established by the lender at the time of loan closing.
- 9. To provide accounting of all collateral and collateral arrangements by agreeing to an annual collateral inspection or as often as the lender deems necessary.
- 10. Salaries paid to entity members, hired labor, or consultants shall be reasonable and any increases above what is projected in the cash flow shall be commensurate with the increase in borrower's cash flow so as to not impair the operation's ability to pay its financial obligations. Borrower has produced its own cash flow projections and acknowledges that projections of cash flow made by lender are for lender's own internal underwriting purpose and not for borrower's reliance. In fact, Lender's projections may be higher or lower than borrower's. , Borrower's decision as to how much to pay for the operation is its own, and borrower acknowledges that, if it has paid more than the appraised value for the operation, it has done so against the lender's advice.
- 11. Withdrawals from the operation in case of joint operations and partnerships shall be reasonable and also commensurate with increases in the borrowers' cash flow so as to not impair the operations' ability to pay its financial obligations as agreed. Borrower will make its own decisions regarding such withdrawals and their impact on borrower's cash flow and the operation generally, and will not rely on the lender for any advice on such matters.
- 12. Borrower agree(s), if requested by Lender or its agent, to fully cooperate in the correction, if necessary

in the reasonable discretion of the Lender of any and all loan closing documents so that all documents accurately describe the loan between the undersigned parties and the Lender and thus allow the Lender to sell, convey, seek a guaranty or obtain insurance for, or market said loan to any purchaser, including but not limited to any investor or institution. All of the undersigned parties agree(s) to promptly comply with such requests by Lender. The undersigned agree(s) to assume all costs including by way of illustration and not limitation, actual expenses, legal fees and marketing losses incurred by lender Borrower hereby appoints Lender as its attorney-in-fact to affect corrections in the loan documents. Such appointment is coupled with an interest and is irrevocable.

- 13. THIS AGREEMENT IS GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF ARKANSAS, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE EXTENT REQUIRED, BY THE LAWS OF THE JURISDICTION WHERE THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT SUCH STATE LAWS ARE PREEMPTED BY FEDERAL LAW.
- 7. DEFAULT. I will be in default if any of the following events (known separately and collectively as an Event of Default) occur:
  - A. Payments. I fail to make a payment in full when due.
  - B. Insolvency or Bankruptcy. The death, dissolution or insolvency of, appointment of a receiver by or on behalf of, application of any debtor relief law, the assignment for the benefit of creditors by or on behalf of, the voluntary or involuntary termination of existence by, or the commencement of any proceeding under any present or future federal or state insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization, composition or debtor relief law by or against me or any co-signer, endorser, surety or guarantor of this Agreement or any other obligations I have with you.
  - C. Death or Incompetency. I die or am declared legally incompetent.
  - D. Failure to Perform. I fail to perform any condition or to keep any promise or covenant of this Agreement.
  - E. Other Documents. A default occurs under the terms of any other Loan Document.
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  - J. Name Change. I change my name or assume an additional name without notifying you before making such a change.
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  - L. Property Value. You determine in good faith that the value of the Property has declined or is impaired.
  - M. Erosion. Any loan proceeds are used for a purpose that will contribute to excessive erosion of highly erodible land or to the conversion of wetlands to produce or to make possible the production of an agricultural commodity, as provided by 7 CFR Part 12.
  - N. Insecurity. You determine in good faith that a material adverse change has occurred in my financial condition from the conditions set forth in my most recent financial statement before the date of this Agreement or that the prospect for payment or performance of the Loan is impaired for any reason.
- 8. REMEDIES. After I default, you may at your option do any one or more of the following.

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- A. Acceleration. You may make all or any part of the amount owing by the terms or the Loan immediately due. If I am a debtor in a bankruptcy petition or in an application filed under section 5(a)(3) of the Securities Investor Protection Act, the Loan is automatically accelerated and immediately due and payable without notice or demand upon filing of the petition or application.
- B. Sources. You may use any and all remedies you have under state or federal law or in any Loan Document.
- C. Insurance Benefits. You may make a claim for any and all insurance benefits or refunds that may be available on my default.
- D. Payments Made On My Behalf. Amounts advanced on my behalf will be immediately due and may be added to the balance owing under the terms of the Loan, and accrue interest at the highest post-maturity interest rate.
- E. Attachment. You may attach or garnish my wages or earnings.
- F. Set-Off. You may use the right of set-off. This means you may set-off any amount due and payable under the terms of the Loan against any right I have to receive money from you.

My right to receive money from you includes any deposit or share account balance I have with you; any money owed to me on an item presented to you or in your possession for collection or exchange; and any repurchase agreement or other non-deposit obligation. "Any amount due and payable under the terms of the Loan" means the total amount to which you are entitled to demand payment under the terms of the Loan at the time you set-off.

Subject to any other written contract, if my right to receive money from you is also owned by someone who has not agreed to pay the Loan, your right of set-off will apply to my interest in the obligation and to any other amounts I could withdraw on my sole request or endorsement.

Your right of set-off does not apply to an account or other obligation where my rights arise only in a representative capacity. It also does not apply to any Individual Retirement Account or other tax-deferred retirement account.

You will not be liable for the dishonor of any check when the dishonor occurs because you set-off against any of my accounts. I agree to hold you harmless from any such claims arising as a result of your exercise of your right of set-off.

- G. Waiver. Except as otherwise required by law, by choosing any one or more of these remedies you do not give up your right to use any other remedy. You do not waive a default if you choose not to use a remedy. By electing not to use any remedy, you do not waive your right to later consider the event a default and to use any remedies if the default continues or occurs again.
- 9. COLLECTION EXPENSES AND ATTORNEYS' FEES. On or after the occurrence of an Event of Default, to the extent permitted by law, I agree to pay all expenses of collection, enforcement or protection of your rights and remedies under this Agreement or any other Loan Document. Expenses include, but are not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees (as determined under Ark. Code Ann. §16-22-308), court costs, and other legal expenses. If not paid immediately, these expenses will bear interest from the date of the payment until paid in full at the same interest rate in effect as provided in the terms of this Loan. All fees and expenses will be secured by the Property I have granted to you, if any. In addition, to the extent permitted by the United States Bankruptcy Code, I agree to pay the reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by you to protect your rights and interests in connection with any bankruptcy proceedings initiated by or against me.
- 10. APPLICABLE LAW. This Agreement is governed by the laws of Arkansas, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law.
- 11. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. My obligation to pay the Loan is independent of the obligation of any other person who has also agreed to pay it. You may sue me alone, or anyone else who is obligated on the Loan, or any number of us together, to collect the Loan. Extending the Loan or new obligations under the Loan, will not affect my duty under the Loan and I will still be obligated to pay the Loan. You may assign all or part of your rights or duties under this Agreement or the Loan Documents without my consent. If you assign this Agreement, all of my covenants, agreements, representations and warranties contained in this Agreement or the Loan Documents will benefit your successors and assigns. I may not assign this Agreement or any of my rights under it without your prior written consent. The duties of the Loan will bind my successors and assigns.
- 12. AMENDMENT, INTEGRATION AND SEVERABILITY. This Agreement may not be amended or modified by oral agreement. No amendment or modification of this Agreement is effective unless made in writing. This Agreement and the other Loan Documents are the complete and final expression of the understanding between you and me. If any provision of this Agreement is unenforceable, then the unenforceable provision will be severed and the remaining provisions will still be
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- 14. NOTICE, FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS. Unless otherwise required by law, any notice will be given by delivering it or mailing it by first class mail to the appropriate party's address listed in the DATE AND PARTIES section, or to any other address designated in writing. Notice to one Borrower will be deemed to be notice to all Borrowers. I will inform you in writing of any change in my name, address or other application information. I will provide you any correct and complete financial statements or other information you request. I agree to sign, deliver, and file any additional documents or certifications that you may consider necessary to perfect, continue, and preserve my obligations under this Loan and to confirm your lien status on any Property. Time is of the essence.
- 15. SIGNATURES. By signing, I agree to the terms contained in this Agreement. I also acknowledge receipt of a copy of this Agreement.

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LENDER:

First Financial Bank

Allen Ginn Vice President

Date 12/7/18

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LOAN NUMBER	LOAN NAME	ACCT, NUMBER	AGREEMENT DATE	INITIALS
120031421	ROGER DALE PARKER		07/23/10	JMU-062
NOTE AMOUNT	INDEX (w/Margin)	RATE	MATURITY DATE	LOAN PURPOSE
\$935,000.00	Wall Street Journal Prime plus 2.000%	5.000%	07/23/23	Agricultural
		Creditor Use Only		

## COMMERCIAL LOAN AGREEMENT

Agricultural - Single Advance Term Loan

DATE AND PARTIES. The date of this Commercial Loan Agreement (Agreement) is July 23, 2010. The parties and their addresses are as follows:

#### LENDER:

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK 214 North Washington El Dorado, AR 71730

#### BORROWER:

ROGER DALE PARKER 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

LINDA GAIL PARKER 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

- 1. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings.
  - A. Accounting Terms. In this Agreement, any accounting terms that are not specifically defined will have their customary meanings under generally accepted accounting principles.
  - B. Insiders. Insiders include those defined as insiders by the United States Bankruptcy Code, as amended; or to the extent left undefined, include without limitation any officer, employee, stockholder or member, director, partner, or any immediate family member of any of the foregoing, or any person or entity which, directly or indirectly, controls, is controlled by or is under common control with me.
  - C. Loan. The Loan refers to this transaction generally, including obligations and duties arising from the terms of all documents prepared or submitted for this transaction.
  - D. Loan Documents. Loan Documents refer to all the documents executed as a part of or in connection with the Loan.
  - E. Pronouns. The pronouns "I", "me" and "my" refer to every Borrower signing this Agreement, individually or together. "You" and "your" refers to the Loan's lender.
  - F. Property. Property is any property, real, personal or intangible, that secures my performance of the obligations of this Loan.
- 2. SINGLE ADVANCE. In accordance with the terms of this Agreement and other Loan Documents, you will provide me with a term note in the amount of \$935,000.00 (Principal). I will receive the funds from this Loan in one advance. No additional advances are contemplated, except those made to protect and preserve your interests as provided in this Agreement or other Loan Documents.
- 3. MATURITY DATE. I agree to fully repay the Loan by July 23, 2023.
- 4. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS. I represent and warrant that I have the right and authority to enter into this Agreement. The execution and delivery of this Agreement will not violate any agreement governing me or to which I am a party.
  - A. Hazardous Substances. Except as I previously disclosed in writing and you acknowledge in writing, no Hazardous Substance, underground tanks, private dumps or open wells are currently located at, on, in, under or about the Property.
  - B. Use of Property. After diligent inquiry, I do not know or have reason to know that any Hazardous Substance has been discharged, leached or disposed of, in violation of any Environmental Law, from the property onto, over or into any other property, or from any other property onto, over or into the property.
  - C. Environmental Laws. I have no knowledge or reason to believe that there is any pending or threatened investigation, claim, judgment or order, violation, lien, or other notice under any Environmental Law that concerns me or the property. The property and any activities on the property are in full compliance with all Environmental Law.
  - D. Loan Purpose. The purpose of this Loan is TO TERM OUT FFB CONSTRUCTION LOAN #120030744 PLUS PAY ALL LOAN FEES AND CLOSING COSTS.
  - E. No Other Liens, I own or lease all property that I need to conduct my business and activities. I have good and marketable title to all property that I own or lease. All of my Property is free and clear of all liens, security interests, encumbrances and other adverse claims and interests, except those to you or those you consent to in writing.
  - F. Compliance With Laws. I am not violating any laws, regulations, rules, orders, judgments or decrees applicable to me or my property, except for those which I am challenging in good faith through proper proceedings after providing adequate reserves to fully pay the claim and its challenge should I lose.
  - G. Legal Disputes. There are no pending or threatened lawsuits, arbitrations or other proceedings against me or my property that singly or together may materially and adversely affect my property, operations, financial condition, or business.

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- H. Adverse Agreements. I am not a party to, nor am I bound by, any agreement that is now or is likely to become materially adverse to my business, Property or operations.
- I. Other Claims. There are no outstanding claims or rights that would conflict with the execution, delivery or performance by me of the terms and conditions of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents. No outstanding claims or rights exist that may result in a lien on the Property, the Property's proceeds and the proceeds of proceeds, except liens that were disclosed to and agreed to by you in writing.
- J. Solvency. I am able to pay my debts as they mature, my assets exceed my liabilities and I have sufficient capital for my current and planned business and other activities. I will not become insolvent by the execution or performance of this Loan.
- 5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. I will prepare and maintain my financial records using consistently applied generally accepted accounting principles then in effect. I will provide you with financial information in a form that you accept and under the following terms.
  - A. Certification. I represent and warrant that any financial statements that I provide you fairly represents my financial condition for the stated periods, is current, complete, true and accurate in all material respects, includes all of my direct or contingent liabilities and there has been no material adverse change in my financial condition, operations or business since the date the financial information was prepared.
  - B. Frequency. In addition to the financial statements provided to you prior to closing, I will provide you with current financial statements on an annual basis, or as otherwise requested by you, until I have performed all of my obligations under the Loan and you terminate the Loan in writing.
  - C. SEC Reports. I will provide you with true and correct copies of all reports, notices or statements that I provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission, any securities exchange or my stockholders, owners, or the holders of any material indebtedness as soon as available or at least within days after issuance.
  - D. Requested Information. I will provide you with any other information about my operations, financial affairs and condition within 14 days after your request.
- 6. COVENANTS. Until the Loan and all related debts, liabilities and obligations are paid and discharged, I will comply with the following terms, unless you waive compliance in writing.
  - A. Participation. I consent to you participating or syndicating the Loan and sharing any information that you decide is necessary about me and the Loan with the other participants or syndicators.
  - B. Inspection. Following your written request, I will immediately pay for all one-time and recurring out-of-pocket costs that are related to the inspection of my records, business or Property that secures the Loan. Upon reasonable notice, I will permit you or your agents to enter any of my premises and any location where my Property is located during regular business hours to do the following.
    - (1) You may inspect, audit, check, review and obtain copies from my books, records, journals, orders, receipts, and any correspondence and other business related data.
    - (2) You may discuss my affairs, finances and business with any one who provides you with evidence that they are a creditor of mine, the sufficiency of which will be subject to your sole discretion.
    - (3) You may inspect my Property, audit for the use and disposition of the Property's proceeds and proceeds of proceeds; or do whatever you decide is necessary to preserve and protect the Property and your interest in the Property.
  - After prior notice to me, you may discuss my financial condition and business operations with my independent accountants, if any, or my chief financial officer and I may be present during these discussions. As long as the Loan is outstanding, I will direct all of my accountants and auditors to permit you to examine my records in their possession and to make copies of these records. You will use your best efforts to maintain the confidentiality of the information you or your agents obtain, except you may provide your regulator, if any, with required information about my financial condition, operation and business or that of my parent, subsidiaries or affiliates.
  - C. Business Requirements. I will preserve and maintain my present existence and good standing in the jurisdiction where I am organized and all of my rights, privileges and franchises. I will do all that is needed or required to continue my business or activities as presently conducted, by obtaining licenses, permits and bonds everywhere I engage in business or activities or own, lease or locate my property. I will obtain your prior written consent before I cease my business or before I engage in any new line of business that is materially different from my present business.
  - D. Compliance with Laws. I will not violate any laws, regulations, rules, orders, judgments or decrees applicable to me or my Property, except for those which I challenge in good faith through proper proceedings after providing adequate reserves to fully pay the claim and its appeal should I lose. Laws include without limitation the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act requirements for producing goods, the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974's requirements for the establishment, funding and management of qualified deferred compensation plans for employees, health and safety laws, environmental laws, tax laws, licensing and permit laws. On your request, I will provide you with written evidence that I have fully and timely paid my taxes, assessments and other governmental charges levied or imposed on me, my income or profits and my property. Taxes include without limitation sales taxes, use taxes, personal property taxes, documentary stamp taxes, recordation taxes, franchise taxes, income taxes, withholding taxes, FICA taxes and unemployment taxes. I will adequately provide for the payment of these taxes, assessments and other charges that have accrued but are not yet due and páyable.
  - E. New Organizations. I will obtain your written consent before organizing, merging into, or consolidating with an entity; acquiring all or substantially all the assets of another; materially changing the legal structure, management, ownership or financial condition; or effecting or entering into a domestication, conversion or interest exchange.
  - F. Dealings with Insiders. I will not purchase, acquire or lease any property or services from, or sell, provide or lease any property or services to, or permit any outstanding loans or credit extensions to, or otherwise deal with, any Insiders except as required under contracts existing at the time I applied for the Loan and approved by you or as this Agreement otherwise permits. I will not change or breach these contracts existing at Loan application so as to cause an acceleration of or an increase in any payments due.
  - G. Other Debts. I will pay when due any and all other debts owed or guaranteed by me and will faithfully perform, or comply with all the conditions and obligations imposed on me concerning the debt or guaranty.
  - H. Other Liabilities. I will not incur, assume or permit any debt evidenced by notes, bonds or similar obligations, except: debt in existence on the date of this Agreement and fully disclosed to you; debt subordinated in payment to you on conditions and terms acceptable to you; accounts payable incurred in the ordinary course of my business and paid under customary trade terms or contested in good faith with reserves satisfactory to you.

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- I. Notice to You. I will promptly notify you of any material change in my financial condition, of the occurrence of a default under the terms of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or a default by me under any agreement between me and any third party which materially and adversely affects my property, operations, financial condition or business.
- J. Certification of No Default. On your request, my chief financial officer or my independent accountant will provide you with a written certification that to the best of their knowledge no event of default exists under the terms of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, and that there exists no other action, condition or event which with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both would constitute a default. As requested, my chief financial officer or my independent accountant will also provide you with computations demonstrating compliance with any financial covenants and ratios contained in this Agreement. If an action, condition or event of default does exist, the certificate must accurately and fully disclose the extent and nature of this action, condition or event and state what must be done to correct it.
- K. Use of Loan Proceeds. I will not permit the loan proceeds to be used to purchase, carry, reduce, or retire any loan originally incurred to purchase or carry any margin stock or otherwise cause the Loan to violate Federal Reserve Board Regulations U or X, or Section 8 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and its regulations, as amended.
- L. Dispose of No Assets. Without your prior written consent or as the Loan Documents permit, I will not sell, lease, assign, transfer, dispose of or otherwise distribute all or substantially all of my assets to any person other than in the ordinary course of business for the assets' depreciated book value or more.
- M. No Other Liens. I will not create, permit or suffer any lien or encumbrance upon any of my properties for or by anyone, other than you, except for: nonconsensual liens imposed by law arising out of the ordinary course of business on obligations that are not overdue or which I am contesting in good faith after making appropriate reserves; valid purchase money security interests on personal property; or any other liens specifically agreed to by you in writing.
- N. Guaranties. I will not guaranty or become liable in any way as surety, endorser (other than as endorser of negotiable instruments in the ordinary course of business) or accommodation endorser or otherwise for the debt or obligations of any other person or entity, except to you or as you otherwise specifically agree in writing.
- O. No Default under Other Agreements. I will not allow to occur, or to continue unremedied, any act, event or condition which constitutes a default, or which, with the passage of time or giving of notice, or both, would constitute a default under any agreement, document, instrument or undertaking to which I am a party or by which I may be bound.
- P. Legal Disputes. I will promptly notify you in writing of any threatened or pending lawsuit, arbitration or other proceeding against me or any of my property, not identified in my financial statements, or that singly or together with other proceedings may materially and adversely affect my property, operations, financial condition or business. I will use my best efforts to bring about a favorable and speedy result of any of these lawsuits, arbitrations or other proceedings.
- Q. Other Notices. I will immediately provide you with any information that may materially and adversely affect my ability to perform this Agreement and of its anticipated effect,
- R. Loan Obligations. I will make full and timely payment of all principal and interest obligations, and comply with the other terms and agreements contained in this Agreement and in the other Loan Documents.
- S. Insurance. I will obtain and maintain insurance with insurers, in amounts and coverages that are acceptable to you and customary with industry practice. This may include without limitation insurance policies for public liability, fire, hazard and extended risk, workers compensation, and, at your request, business interruption and/or rent loss insurance. At your request, I will deliver to you certified copies of all of these insurance policies, binders or certificates. I will obtain and maintain a mortgagee or lender loss payee endorsement for you when these endorsements are available. I will immediately notify you of cancellation or termination of insurance. I will require all insurance policies to provide you with at least 10 days prior written notice to you of cancellation or modification. I consent to you using or disclosing information relative to any contract of insurance required by the Loan for the purpose of replacing this insurance. I also authorize my insurer and you to exchange all relevant information related to any contract of insurance required by any document executed as part of this Loan.
- T. Property Mainténance. I will keep all tangible and intangible property that I consider necessary or useful in my business in good working condition by making all needed repairs, replacements and improvements and by making all rental, lease or other payments due on this property.
- U. Property Loss. I will immediately notify you, and the insurance company when appropriate, of any material casualty, loss or depreciation to the Property or to my other property that affects my business.
- V. Life Insurance. I will maintain all life insurance policies assigned to you as Property.
- W. Reserves. You may set aside and reserve Loan proceeds for Loan interest, fees and expenses, taxes, and insurance. I grant you a security interest in the reserves.
- No interest will accrue on any reserve Loan proceeds. Disbursement of reserves is disbursement of the Loan's proceeds. At my request, you will disburse the reserves for the purpose they were set aside for, as long as I am not in default under this Agreement. You may directly pay these reserved items, reimburse me for payments I made, or reduce the reserves and increase the Loan proceeds available for disbursement.
- X. Additional Taxes. I will pay all filing and recording costs and fees, including any recordation, documentary or transfer taxes or stamps, that are required to be paid with respect to this Loan and any Loan Documents.
- 7. DEFAULT. I will be in default if any of the following occur:
  - A. Payments. I fail to make a payment in full when due.
  - B. Insolvency or Bankruptcy. The death, dissolution or insolvency of, appointment of a receiver by or on behalf of, application of any debtor relief law, the assignment for the benefit of creditors by or on behalf of, the voluntary or involuntary termination of existence by, or the commencement of any proceeding under any present or future federal or state insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization, composition or debtor relief law by or against me or any co-signer, endorser, surety or guarantor of this Agreement or any other obligations I have with you.
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Your right of set-off does not apply to an account or other obligation where my rights arise only in a representative capacity. It also does not apply to any individual Retirement Account or other tax-deferred retirement account.

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- 9. COLLECTION EXPENSES AND ATTORNEYS' FEES. On or after Default, to the extent permitted by law, I agree to pay all expenses of collection, enforcement or protection of your rights and remedies under this Agreement or any other Loan Document. Expenses include, but are not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees (as determined under Ark. Code Ann. §16-22-308), court costs, and other legal expenses. If not paid immediately, these expenses will bear interest from the date of the payment until paid in full at the same interest rate in effect as provided in the terms of this Loan. All fees and expenses will be secured by the Property I have granted to you, if any. In addition, to the extent permitted by the United States Bankruptcy Code, I agree to pay the reasonable attorneys' fees' incurred by you to protect your rights and interests in connection with any bankruptcy proceedings initiated by or against me.
- 10. APPLICABLE LAW. This Agreement is governed by the laws of Arkansas, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law.
- 11. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. My obligation to pay the Loan is independent of the obligation of any other person who has also agreed to pay it. You may sue me alone, or anyone else who is obligated on the Loan, or any number of us together, to collect the Loan. Extending the Loan or new obligations under the Loan, will not affect my duty under the Loan and I will still be obligated to pay the Loan. You may assign all or part of your rights or duties under this Agreement or the Loan Documents without my consent. If you assign this Agreement, all of my covenants, agreements, representations and warranties contained in this Agreement or the Loan Documents will benefit your successors and assigns. I may not assign this Agreement or any of my rights under it without your prior written consent. The duties of the Loan will bind my successors and assigns.
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- 15. SIGNATURES. By signing, I agree to the terms contained in this Agreement. I also acknowledge receipt of a copy of this Agreement.

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This Addendum supplements the terms of the captioned Commercial Loan Agreement and the terms of each Loan Document (as defined in the Note and executed in conjunction therewith), all of which should be read together to provide to First Financial bank the greatest rights, security and remedies:

- 1. WAIVERS AND CONSENT. To the extent not prohibited by law, Borrower waives protest, presentment for payment, demand, notice of acceleration, notice of intent to accelerate and notice of dishonor.
  - A. Additional Waivers By Borrower. In addition, Borrower and any party to this Note and Loan, to extent permitted by law, consent to certain actions set forth herein that Lender may take, and generally waive defenses that may be available based on these actions or based on the status of party to this Note, as follows:.
    - (1) Lender may renew or extend payments on this Note, regardless of the number of such renewals or extensions.
    - (2) Lender may release any Borrower, endorser, guarantor, surety, accommodation maker or any other co-signer.
    - (3) Lender may release, substitute or impair any Property securing this Note.
    - (4) Lender, or any institution participating in this Note, may invoke Lender's right of set-off.
    - (5) Lender may enter into any sales, repurchases or participations of this Note to any person in any amounts and Borrower waive notice of such sales, repurchase or participations.
    - (6) Borrower agrees that any person or entity signing the Note as a Borrower is authorized, alone or in concert, to modify the terms of the Note or any instrument securing, guarantying or relating to the note.

- B. No Waiver By Lender. Lender's course of dealing, or Lender's forbearance from, or delay in, the exercise of any of Lender's rights, remedies, privileges or right to insist upon Borrower's strict performance of any provisions contained in this Note, or any other Loan Document, shall not be construed as a waiver by Lender, unless any such waiver is in writing and is signed by Lender.
- INTEREST. Interest will accrue on the unpaid Principal balance of the Note
  at the rate of 5.00% percent (Interest Rate) until <u>AUGUST 1, 2013</u> after
  which time it may change, if and as described in a Variable Rate subsection.
  - A. Interest After Default. If Lender declares a default under the terms of the Loan, including for failure to pay in full at maturity, interest will accrue on the unpaid Principal balance of this Note at the Interest rate in effect from time to time under the terms of the Loan, until paid in full.
  - B. Maximum Interest Amount. Any amount assessed or collected as interest under the terms of this Note will be limited to the maximum lawful amount of interest allowed by state or federal law, which ever is greater. Amounts collected in excess of the maximum lawful amount will be applied first to unpaid Principal balance. Any remainder will be refunded to Borrower.
  - C. Statutory Authority. The amount assessed or collected on this Note is authorized by the Arkansas usury laws provided such laws are not otherwise preempted by federal laws and regulations.
  - D. Accrual. Interest accrues using an Actual/365 days counting method.
- 3. ASSUMPTIONS. Subject to conditions and Lender's written consent, someone buying the Property may be allowed to assume this Note. Without written consent, Lender may, at Lender's option, declare the entire balance of this Note to be immediately due and payable upon the creation of, or contract for the creation of, any lien, encumbrance, transfer or sale of all or any part of

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the Property. This right is subject to the restrictions imposed by federal law (12 C.F.R. 591), as applicable. An assumption fee may be assessed if Borrower requests, and Lender agrees, to transfer some or all of the Property to another party.

- 4. COMMISSIONS. Borrower understands and agrees that Lender (or Lender's affiliate) may earn commissions or fees on any insurance products, and may earn such fees on other services that Borrower buys through Lender or Lenders affiliate.
- 5. ERRORS AND OMISSIONS. Borrower agrees, if requested by Lender, to fully cooperate in the correction, if necessary, in the reasonable discretion of Lender, of any and all Loan closing documents so that all documents accurately describe the Loan between Lender and Borrower. Borrower agrees to assume all costs, including by way of illustration and not limitation, actual expenses, legal fees and marketing losses, for failing to reasonably comply with Lender's requests within thirty (30) days.

DATE: JULY 23, 2010

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## PREPAYMENT ADDENDUM TO COMMERCIAL LOAN AGREEMENT (LESS THAN 15-YEAR MATURITY) LOAN #: 120031421

Notwithstanding any provision in the Note or Loan Documents to the contrary, Borrower may prepay this Note. Borrower may prepay 20% or less of the unpaid principal balance at any time without notice. If Borrower prepays more than 20% and the Loan has been sold on the secondary market, Borrower must:

- a. Give Lender written notice;
- b. Pay all accrued interest; and
- c. If the prepayment is received less that 21 days from the date Lender receives the notice, pay an amount equal to 21 days interest from the date Lender receives the notice, less any interest accrued during the 21 days and paid under subparagraph b., above.

If Borrower does not prepay within 30 days from the date Lender receives the notice, Borrower must give Lender a new notice.

These requirements are in addition to any other provisions of the Loan Documents related to prepayment.

DATE: JULY 23, 2010

ROGER DALE PARKER

LINDA GAIL PARKER

# Exhibits 5 - 9 to Parker II Deposition (Being Filed Under Seal)



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706-819-2260 478-454-9032 poultryequipment@aol.com parkerspoultryequipment.com Invoice

Date 7/10/2017 Invoice # 10191

Bill To

Dennis Fitch 4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

Due Date	Project
5/17/2017	

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
nalog Input C igital Imput Ca	Replace card that was damaged with lightning Replace card that was damaged with lightning	3 4	350.00 325.00	1,050.00 1,300.00
			PENGAD 800-631-6889	DEFENDANT'S SEXHIBIT

only 3 cards would have been charged but a new controller does not have this card,

Total \$2,350.00
Payments/Credits \$0.00
Balance Due \$2,350.00



Phone # 706-819-2260 Fax # 478-454-9032

poultryequipment@aol.com parkerspoultryequipment.com Invoice

Date 5/17/2017 Invoice # 10189

Bill To Dennis Fitch 4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

Due Date	Project	
5/17/2017		

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
ри	Rotem Platinum Plus CPU	4	1,531.66	6,126.64
Relay Card Set	Platinum Plus Standard Platinum Plus Relay Card Set	6	279.92	1,679.52
Display Screen	Platinum Plus Display Screen	3	1,161.01	3,483.03
Key Pad	Platinum Plus Key Pad with Monitor Power	3	444.00	1,332.00
auger sensor	Sensor relay for feed line	4	275.00	1,100.00
abor	Install parts, Trace and replace bad wiring in feed drives, replace electrical Motors and test Rotem Platinum Plus Boxes for damage.		1,892.20	1,892.20
hp Motor	Mew Motor	3	235.00	705.00

See Attached file for Explanation of parts used.

 Total
 \$16,318.39

 Payments/Credits
 \$0.00

 Balance Due
 \$16,318.39



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poultryequipment@aol.com parkerspoultryequipment.com Invoice

Date 5/17/2017 Invoice # 10190

Bill To Dennis Fitch 4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

Fax#

Due Date	Project
5/17/2017	

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
Rotem Controller	Install New controller after lightning strike. Install done with live	1	7,800.00	7,800.00
Annalog output Digital Imput Ca	birds in houses which is extremely more difficult.  House card was hit by lightning  Cards were partially functioning due to lightning strike.	3 3	350.00 325.00	1,050.00 975.00

Total \$9,825.00 Payments/Credits \$0.00 **Balance Due** \$9,825.00



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Date 5/17/2017 Invoice # 10190

Bill To Dennis Fitch 4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

Due Date	Project
5/17/2017	

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
Rotem Controller	Install New controller after lightning strike. Install done with live birds in houses which is extremely more difficult.	1	7,800.00	7,800.00

Total \$7,800.00 Payments/Credits \$0.00 **Balance Due** \$7,800.00

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Invoice

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Date 5/17/2017 Invoice # 10189

Bill To Dennis Fitch

4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

Due Date	Project
5/17/2017	

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
сри	Rotem Platinum Plus CPU	4	1,350.00	5,400.00
Relay Card Set	Platinum Plus Standard Platinum Plus Relay Card Set	6	250.00	1,500.00
Display Screen	Platinum Plus Display Screen	3	1,000.00	3,000.00
Key Pad	Platinum Plus Key Pad with Monitor Power	3	390.00	1,170.00
auger sensor	Sensor relay for feed line	4	250.00	1,000.00
Labor	Install parts, Trace and replace bad wiring in feed drives, replace electrical Motors and test Rotem Platinum Plus Boxes for damage.		1,600.00	1,600.00
1 hp Motor	Mew Motor	3	0.00	0.00
Analog Input C Digital Imput Ca		3 3	350.00 325.00	1,050.00 975.00

See Attached file for Explanation of parts used.

Total	\$15,695.00
Payments/Credits	\$0.00
Balance Due	\$15,695.00



Invoice

Date 5/17/2017

Invoice # 10190

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Bill To

Dennis Fitch 4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

Due Date	Project
6/21/2017	

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
otem Controller	Install New controller after lightning strike. Install done with live birds in houses which is extremely more difficult.	1	7,800.00	7,800.00
spect Generat	Generator starting without command ,All lugs are tight an no hot connections found.		200.00	200.00

 Total
 \$8,000.00

 Payments/Credits
 \$0.00

 Balance Due
 \$8,000.00

Message

From:

poultryequipment@msn.com [poultryequipment@msn.com]

Sent:

7/10/2017 12:54:42 PM

To:

Subject:

Invoice from Parker's Poultry

Dear Customer :

Your invoice is attached. Please remit payment at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your business - we appreciate it very much.

Sincerely,

Parker's Poultry 706-468-2676



Williedgeville GA 3100

Phone #

Fax#

706-819-2260 478-454-9032 poultryequipment@aol.com parkerspoultryequipment.com Invoice

Date 7/10/2017 Invoice # 10191

Bill To Dennis Fitch 4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

**Due Date** 

Project

4/18/2017

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
Analog Input C Digital Imput Ca	Replace card that was damaged with lightning Replace card that was damaged with lightning	3 4	350.00 325.00	1,050.00 1,300.00

only 3 cards would have been charged but a new controller does not have this card,

Total \$2,350.00
Payments/Credits \$0.00
Balance Due \$2,350.00



Invoice

Date 4/18/2017

Invoice # 10190

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Bill To
Dennis Fitch
4587 H. D. Atha Road
Covington Ga 30014

Due Date	Project
5/31/2017	

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Claim #2017011132 (Addendum)

Total

\$8,000.00

Payments/Credits

\$0.00

Balance Due

\$8,000.00



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Date 6/15/2017

Invoice # 10190

Bill To Dennis Fitch 4587 H. D. Atha Road Covington Ga 30014

> Due Date Project 6/15/2017

Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
Rotem Controller	Install New controller after lightning strike. Install done with live birds in houses which is extremely more difficult.	1	7,800.00	7,800.00
nspect Generat	Generator starting without command ,All lugs are tight an no hot connections found.		200.00	200.00

Claim #2017011132 (Addendum)

Total

\$8,000.00

Payments/Credits

\$0.00

**Balance Due** 

\$8,000.00



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Due Date	Project
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Item	Description	Qty	Price	Amount
nalog Input C iigital Imput Ca	Replace card that was damaged with lightning Replace card that was damaged with lightning	3 4	350.00 325.00	1,050.00 1,300.00

Claim #2017008373 (Addendum)

 Total
 \$2,350.00

 Payments/Credits
 \$0.00

 Balance Due
 \$2,350.00

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# Exhibit 16 to Parker II Depo (Being Filed Under Seal)

# Exhibit 17 to Parker II Depo (Being Filed Under Seal)

## Message

From:

Roger Parker [poultryequipment@msn.com]

on behalf of

Roger Parker <poultryequipment@msn.com> [poultryequipment@msn.com]

Sent:

2/10/2017 5:54:50 AM

To:

Susan Davis [sdavis@bigdutchmanusa.com]

Subject:

Re: Tax Exemption Certificate

Here is my Ga tax exemption card.

## Georgia Agriculture Tax Exemption Certification

Roger Parker

897 Highway 24 East

Milledgeville, GA 31061

Parker's Poultry / Hazel Lee Farm

Issued: 12/6/2012

Expires: 12/31/2017

DORAG5957

Additional Users:

Linda Parker

Simon Parker

Bradly Parker

Gary W. Black, Commissioner Georgia Department of Agriculture

On Feb 9, 2017, at 4:09 PM, Susan Davis <sdavis@bigdutchmanusa.com> wrote:

Good afternoon! I wanted to follow up regarding a current tax exemption certificate for you. The one we have is expired and, in order to not charge sales tax, we need a valid exemption certificate on file. Please submit your completed tax exemption certificate as soon as possible to avoid being charged sales tax.

Thank you!

Susan L. Davis

Accounting Associate

Office: +1 616 582-4081 Fax: +1 616 582-4118

E-Mail: sdavis@bigdutchmanusa.com

Big Dutchman, Inc.

3900 John F. Donnelly Drive Holland, MI 49424

www.bigdutchmanusa.com

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From: Receivables

Sent: Monday, January 23, 2017 9:41 AM

To: Parker Poultry Equipment - Statements poultryequipment@msn.com>

Subject: Tax Exemption Certificate

Good morning! The sales tax exemption certificate we have on file for you expired on 1/4/11. To avoid being charged sales tax on future orders, please submit a current sales tax exemption form for your state. A blank form is attached for your convenience. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

## **Accounts Receivable**

Office: 616-582-4081 Fax: 616-582-4118

E-mail: receivables@bigdutchmanusa.com

**Big Dutchman, Inc.** 3900 John F. Donnelly Drive Holland, MI 49424

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## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK,	)		Mitch Longino, Clerk Baldwin County, Georgia
Petitioner,	3		
v.	)	CIVIL ACTION FILE NO.	
ROGER DALE PARKER and	)		
LINDA GAIL PARKER,	)		
	)		
Respondents.	)		

## REPORT OF SALE AND APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Petitioner, First Financial Bank (the "Petitioner"), files this Report of Sale and Application for Confirmation and Approval of Sale of Real Estate against respondents, Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker ("Respondents"), respectfully showing as follows:

## Introduction

1.

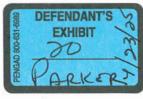
In this Report and Application, Petitioner seeks confirmation and approval of the sale of real estate secured by security deeds executed by Respondents in favor of Petitioner.

2.

Specifically, the Petitioner seeks confirmation and approval of the May 5, 2020 foreclosure sale of real property located in Baldwin County, Georgia. The property was sold for \$225,000.00 at foreclosure.

3.

Petitioner submits that the foreclosure sale brought the true market value or greater of the real property. Accordingly, the Petitioner requests that the Court confirm the sale.



True and correct copies of the deed to secure debt (with future advance clause) and modification agreement are attached hereto as Exhibits 2 and 3, respectively.

9.

On March 4, 2010, Respondents executed and delivered to Petitioner a promissory note in the original principal amount of \$92,000. A true and correct copy of the promissory note is attached as Exhibit 4. The promissory note was secured by that deed to secure debt given by Respondents to Petitioner dated March 4, 2010 and recorded on March 16, 2010, filed for record in Book 1016, Page 21, Baldwin County, Georgia Records. A true and correct copy of the security deed is attached hereto as Exhibit 5.

10.

On June 24, 2013, Respondents executed and delivered to Petitioner a promissory note in the original principal amount of \$1,115,000.00. A true and correct copy of the promissory note is attached as Exhibit 6. The promissory note was secured by that deed to secure debt (with future advance clause) given by Respondents to Petitioner dated June 24, 2013 and recorded on July 15, 2013, filed for record in Book 1139, Page 229, Baldwin County, Georgia Records, and modified by that certain modification of deed to secure debt given by Respondents to Petitioner dated August 3, 2015 and recorded on November 2, 2015, filed for record in Book 1220, Page 370, Baldwin County, Georgia Records. True and correct copies of the security deed (with future advance clause) and modification are attached hereto as Exhibits 7 and 8, respectively.

11.

On December 7, 2018, Respondents executed and delivered to Petitioner a promissory note in the original principal amount of \$20,000.00. A true and correct copy of the promissory note is attached as Exhibit 9. The promissory note was secured by that deed to secure debt given by

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attached hereto as Composite Exhibit 11.

14.

On April 1, 2020, Petitioner served Respondents with a Notice of Sale Under Power scheduling the foreclosure sale of the Property for May 5, 2020. A true and correct copy of the Notice of Power Under Sale is attached as Exhibit 12.

15.

On April 10, 17, 24 and May 1 of 2020, the Notice of Sale Under Power was published in The Union-Recorder, the official legal newspaper of Baldwin County, Georgia. A true and correct copy of the Publisher's Affidavit is attached as Exhibit 13.

16.

On May 5, 2020, the Petitioner sold the Property at foreclosure. Petitioner was the purchaser and executed a Deed Under Power of Sale as attorney-in-fact for Respondent. A true and correct copy of the Deed Under Power of Sale is attached as Exhibit 13. The memorandum of sale is attached as Exhibit 14.

17.

The Petitioner was the highest bidder and purchased the Property for \$225,000.00. The sale was made subject to all unpaid city, county, state, and ad valorum property taxes and assessments related to the Property.

18.

After the foreclosure sale of the Property, there is a deficiency under the Notes.

19.

The Property brought its true market value or greater at the foreclosure sale.

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# EXHIBIT 1

#### 3. PAYMENT TERMS:

Borrower must make all payments at the place Lender designates. The payment terms for this Note are:

Maturity: This Note will mature in 13 years from date of Note.

Repayment Terms: The initial interest rate is 5.00% per year for 3 years. The initial rate is the prime rate in effect on the first business day of the month in which SBA received the loan application, plus 1.75%. The interest rate on this Note will then begin to fluctuate as described below. The initial interest rate must remain in effect until the first change period begins.

Borrower must pay principal & interest payments of \$ 99,537.00 every year, beginning twelve months from the month this Note is dated; payments must be made on the 23rd calendar day in the months they are due.

Lender will apply each installment payment first to interest accrued to the day Lender receives the payment, then to bring principal current, then to pay any late fees, and will apply any remaining balance to reduce principal.

The interest rate will be adjusted quarterly (the "change period").

The "Prime Rate" is the prime rate in effect on the first business day of the month (as published in the Wall Street Journal) in which SBA received the application, or any interest rate change occurs. Base Rates will be rounded to two decimal places with .004 being rounded down and .005 being rounded up.

The adjusted interest rate will be 2.00% above the Prime Rate. Lender will adjust the interest rate on the first calendar day of each change period. The change in interest rate is effective on that day whether or not Lender gives Borrower notice of the change.

Lender must adjust the payment amount at least annually as needed to amortize principal over the remaining term of the note.

If SBA purchases the guaranteed portion of the unpaid principal balance, the interest rate becomes fixed at the rate in effect at the time of the earliest uncured payment default. If there is no uncured payment default, the rate becomes fixed at the rate in effect at the time of purchase.

Loan Prepayment:

Notwithstanding any provision in this Note to the contrary:

Borrower may prepay this Note. Borrower may prepay 20% or less of the unpaid principal balance at anytime without notice. If Borrower prepays more than 20% and the Loan has been sold on the secondary market, Borrower must:

- a. Give Lender written notice;
- b. Pay all accrued interest; and
- c. If the prepayment is received less than 21 days from the date Lender receives the notice, pay an amount equal to 21 days' interest from the date Lender receives the notice, less any interest accrued during the 21 days and paid under subparagraph b., above.

If Borrower does not prepay within 30 days from the date Lender receives the notice, Borrower must give Lender a new notice.

## 4. DEFAULT:

Borrower is in default under this Note if Borrower does not make a payment when due under this Note, or if Borrower or Operating Company:

- A. Fails to do anything required by this Note and other Loan Documents;
- B. Defaults on any other loan with Lender;
- C. Does not preserve, or account to Lender's satisfaction for, any of the Collateral or its proceeds;
- D. Does not disclose, or anyone acting on their behalf does not disclose, any material fact to Lender or SBA;
- E. Makes, or anyone acting on their behalf makes, a materially false or misleading representation to Lender or SBA;
- F. Defaults on any loan or agreement with another creditor, if Lender believes the default may materially affect Borrower's ability to pay this Note;
- G. Fails to pay any taxes when due;
- H. Becomes the subject of a proceeding under any bankruptcy or insolvency law;
- I. Has a receiver or liquidator appointed for any part of their business or property;
- J. Makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors;
- K. Has any adverse change in financial condition or business operation that Lender believes may materially affect Borrower's ability to pay this Note;
- L. Reorganizes, merges, consolidates, or otherwise changes ownership or business structure without Lender's prior written consent; or
- M. Becomes the subject of a civil or criminal action that Lender believes may materially affect Borrower's ability to pay this Note.

### LENDER'S RIGHTS IF THERE IS A DEFAULT:

Without notice or demand and without giving up any of its rights, Lender may:

- A. Require immediate payment of all amounts owing under this Note;
- B. Collect all amounts owing from any Borrower or Guarantor;
- C. File suit and obtain judgment;
- D. Take possession of any Collateral; or
- E. Sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of, any Collateral at public or private sale, with or without advertisement.

## LENDER'S GENERAL POWERS:

Without notice and without Borrower's consent, Lender may:

- A. Bid on or buy the Collateral at its sale or the sale of another lienholder, at any price it chooses;
- B. Incur expenses to collect amounts due under this Note, enforce the terms of this Note or any other Loan Document, and preserve or dispose of the Collateral. Among other things, the expenses may include payments for property taxes, prior liens, insurance, appraisals, environmental remediation costs, and reasonable attorney's fees and costs. If Lender incurs such expenses, it may demand immediate repayment from Borrower or add the expenses to the principal balance;
- C. Release anyone obligated to pay this Note;
- D. Compromise, release, renew, extend or substitute any of the Collateral; and
- E. Take any action necessary to protect the Collateral or collect amounts owing on this Note.

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# **EXHIBIT 2**



- 2. SECURED DEBTS AND FUTURE ADVANCES. The term "Secured Debts" includes and this Security Instrument will secure each of the following:
- A. Specific Dabts. The following debts and all extensions, renewals, refinancings, modifications and replacements. A promissory note or other agreement, No. 120030744, dated November 12, 2009, from Grantor to Lendel, with a loan amount of nine hundred and thirty five thousand dollars and zero cents (\$935,000.00) and maturing on May 12, 2010.
- B. Future Advances. All future advances from Lender to Grantor under the Specific Debts executed by Grantor in favor of Londer after this Security Instrument. If more than one person signs this Security Instrument, each agrees that this Security Instrument will secure all future advances that are given to Grantor either individually or with others who may not sign this Security Instrument. All future advances are secured by this Security Instrument even though all or part may not yet be advanced. All future advances are secured as if made on the date of this Security Instrument. Nothing in this Security Instrument shall constitute a commitment to make additional or future advances in any amount. Any such commitment must be agreed to in a separate writing, In the event that Lender fails to provide any required notice of the right of rescission, Lender waives any subsequent security interest in the Grantor's principal dwelling that is created by this Security Instrument. This Security Instrument will not secure any other debt if Lender fails, with respect to that other debt, to fulfill any necessary requirements or limitations of Sections 19(a), 32, or 35 of Regulation Z.
- C. All Debts. All present and future debts from Grantor to Lender, even if this Security Instrument is not specifically referenced, or if the future debt is unrelated to or of a different type than this debt. If more than one person signs this Security Instrument, each agrees that it will secure debts incurred either individually or with others who may not sign this Security Instrument. Nothing in this Security Instrument constitutes a commitment to make additional or future loans or advances. Any such commitment must be in writing. In the event that Lender fails to provide any required notice of the right of rescission. Lender waives any subsequent security interest in the Grantor's principal dwelling that is created by this Security Instrument. This Security Instrument will not secure any debt for which a non-possessory, non-purchase money security interest is created in "household goods" in connection with a "consumer loan," as those terms are defined by federal law governing unfair and deceptive credit practices. This Security Instrument will not secure any debt for which a security interest is created in "margin stock" and Lender does not obtain a "statement of purpose," as defined and required by federal law governing securities. This Security Instrument will not secure any other debt if Lender fails, with respect to that other debt, to fulfill any necessary regulrements or limitations of Sections 19(a), 32, or 35 of Regulation Z.
- D. Sums Advanced. All sums advanced and expenses incurred by Lender under the terms of this Security Instrument.
- 3. PAYMENTS. Grantor agrees that all payments under the Secured Debts will be paid when due and in accordance with the terms of the Secured Debts and this Security Instrument.
- 4. WARRANTY OF TITLE. Grantor werrants that Grantor is or will be lawfully seized of the estate conveyed by this Security Instrument and has the right to irrevocably grant, bargain, transfer, convey and sell the Property to Lender, with power of sale. Grantor also warrants that the Property is unencumbered, except for encumbrances
- 5, PRIOR SECURITY INTERESTS. With regard to any other mortgage, deed of trust, deed to secure debt, security agreement or other lien document that created a prior security interest or encumbrance on the Property, Grantor
  - A. To make all payments when due and to perform or comply with all covenants.
  - B. To promptly deliver to Lender any notices that Grantor receives from the holder.

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- N. Insecurity, Lender determines in good faith that a material adverse change has occurred in Grantor's financial condition from the conditions set forth in Grantor's most recent financial statement before the date of this Security Instrument or that the prospect for payment or performance of the Secured Debts is impaired for any reason.
- 13. REMEDIES. On or after default, Lender may use any and all remedies Lender has under state or federal law or in any document relating to the Secured Debts, including, without limitation, the power to sell the Property. Any amounts advanced on Grantor's behalf will be immediately due and may be added to the balance owing under the Secured Debts. Lender may make a claim for any and all insurance benefits or refunds that may be available on

Subject to any right to cure, required time schedules or any other notice rights Grantor may have under federal and state law, Lender may make all or any part of the amount owing by the terms of the Secured Debts immediately due and foreclose this Security Instrument in a manner provided by law upon the occurrence of a default or anytime thereafter.

If there is a default, Lender may, in addition to any other permitted remedy, advertise and sell the Property as a whole or in separate parcels at public auction to the highest bidder for cash and convey absolute title free and clear of all right, title and interest of Grantor at such time and place as Lender designates. Lender will give notice of sale including the time, terms and place of sale and a description of the Property as required by the applicable law in effect at the time of the sale. Lender may purchase the Property.

Upon sale of the Property and to the extent not prohibited by law and after first paying all expenses, fees, charges and costs, Lender shall make and deliver a deed to the Property sold which conveys absolute title to the purchaser. Lender shall apply the proceeds of the sale in the following order: (a) to all expenses, fees, charges, and costs of the sale, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees; (b) to all sums secured by this Security Instrument; and (c) any excess to the person or persons legally entitled to it. The recitals in any deed of conveyance will be prima facie evidence of the facts set forth therein.

Upon a sale pursuant to this section, Grantor, or any person holding possession of the Property through Grantor, will immediately surrender possession of the Property to the purchaser at the sale. If possession is not surrendered, Grantor or such person will be a tenant holding over and may be dispossessed in accordance with

All remedies are distinct, cumulative and not exclusive, and the Lender is entitled to all remedies provided at law or equity, whether or not expressly set forth. The acceptance by Lender of any sum in payment or partial payment on the Secured Debts after the balance is due or is accelerated or after foreclosure proceedings are filed will not constitute a waiver of Lender's right to require full and complete cure of any existing default. By not exercising any remedy, Lender does not waive Lender's right to later consider the event a default if it continues or happens again.

- 14. COLLECTION EXPENSES AND ATTORNEYS' FEES. On or after Default, to the extent permitted by law, Grantor agrees to pay all expenses of collection, enforcement or protection of Lender's rights and remedies under this Security Instrument or any other document relating to the Secured Debts. Grantor agrees to pay expenses for Lender to inspect and preserve the Property and for any recordation costs of releasing the Property from this Security Instrument. Expenses include, but ere not limited to, attorneys' fees, court costs, and other legal expenses. If the Secured Debts are collected by or through an attorney after maturity, Grantor agrees to pay 15 percent of the principal and interest owing as attorneys' fees. These expenses are due and payable immediately. If not paid immediately, these expenses will bear interest from the date of payment until paid in full at the highest interest rate in effect as provided for in the terms of the Secured Debts. In addition, to the extent permitted by the United States Bankruptoy Code, Grantor agrees to pay the reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by Lender to protect Lender's rights and interests in connection with any bankruptcy proceedings initiated by or against Grantor.
- 15. ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES. As used in this section, (1) Environmental Law means, without limitation, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA,

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L. Notwithstanding any of the language contained in this Security Instrument to the contrary, the terms of this section will survive any foreclosure or satisfaction of this Security Instrument regardless of any passage of title to Lender or any disposition by Lender of any or all of the Property. Any claims and defenses to the contrary

16. CONDEMNATION. Grantor will give Lender prompt notice of any pending or threatened action by private or public entities to purchase or take any or all of the Property through condemnation, eminent domain, or any other means. Grantor authorizes Lender to intervene in Grantor's name in any of the above described actions or claims. Grantor assigns to Lender the proceeds of any award or claim for damages connected with a condemnation or other taking of all or any part of the Property. Such proceeds will be considered payments and will be applied as provided in this Security Instrument. This assignment of proceeds is subject to the terms of any prior mortgage, deed of trust, deed to secure debt, security agreement or other lien document.

17. INSURANCE. Grantor agrees to keep the Property insured against the risks reasonably associated with the Property. Grantor will maintain this insurance in the amounts Lender requires. This insurance will last until the Property is released from this Security Instrument. What Lender requires pursuant to the preceding two sentences can change during the term of the Secured Debts. Grantor may choose the insurance company, subject to Lender's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

All insurance policies and renewals will include a standard "mortgage clause" and, where applicable, "loss payee clause." If required by Lender, Grantor agrees to maintain comprehensive general liability insurance end rental loss or business interruption insurance in amounts and under policies acceptable to Lender. The comprehensive general liability insurance must name Lender as an additional insured. The rental loss or business interruption insurance must be in an amount equal to at least coverage of one year's debt service, and required excrow account deposits (if agreed to separately in writing).

Grantor will give Lender and the insurance company immediate notice of any loss. All insurance proceeds will be applied to restoration or repair of the Property or to the Secured Debts, at Lender's option. If Lender acquires the Property in damaged condition, Grantor's rights to any insurance policies and proceeds will pass to Lender to the extent of the Secured Debts.

Grantor will immediately notify Lender of cancellation or termination of insurance. If Grantor fails to keep the Property insured, Lender may obtain insurance to protect Lender's interest in the Property and Grantor will pay for the insurance on Lender's demand. Lender may demand that Grantor pay for the insurance all at once, or Lender may add the insurance premiums to the balance of the Secured Debts and charge interest on it at the rate that applies to the Secured Debts. This insurance may include coverages not originally required of Grantor, may be written by a company other than one Grantor would choose, and may be written at a higher rate than Grantor could obtain if Grantor purchased the insurance. Grantor acknowledges and agrees that Lender or one of Lender's affiliates may receive commissions on the purchase of this insurance.

- 18. ESCROW FOR TAXES AND INSURANCE. As provided in a separate agreement, Grantor agrees to pay to Lender funds for taxes and insurance in escrow.
- 19. CO-SIGNERS. If Grantor signs this Security Instrument but is not otherwise obligated to pay the Secured Debts, Grantor does so only to convey Grantor's interest in the Property to secure payment of the Secured Debts and Grantor does not agree by signing this Security Instrument to be personally liable on the Secured Debts. If this Security Instrument secures a guaranty between Lender and Grantor, Grantor agrees to waive any rights that may prevent Lender from bringing any action or claim against Grantor or any party indebted under the obligation.
- 20. WAIVERS. Except to the extent prohibited by law, Grantor waives all homestead and other exemption rights relating to the Property.
- 21. CONSTRUCTION LOAN. This Security Instrument secures an obligation incurred for the construction of an improvement on the Property.
- 22. APPLICABLE LAW. This Security Instrument is governed by the laws of Arkansas, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law.
- 23. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. Each Grantor's obligations under this Security Instrument are independent of the obligations of any other Grantor, Lender may sue each Grantor individually or

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SIGNATURES. By signing under seal, Grantor agrees to the terms and covenants contained in this Security of Instrument. Grantor also acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Security Instrument.

GRANTOR:

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Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

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# EXHIBIT "A"

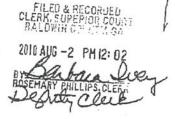
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 115<sup>th</sup> G.M. District, Baldwin County, Georgia, containing 24.095 ACRES and further identified as having such shape, size, metes, bounds, courses and distance as are shown upon a plat thereof entitled "Austin M. Tran & Tiffany Le Tran" by James E. Smith, Jr., G.R.L.S. No. 1895, dated May 25, 2005, and recorded in Plat Book 29, Page 28, Clerk's Office, Baldwin County Superior Court. Reference is hereby made to said plat and incorporated herein for the purpose of a more particular and accurate description of the property herein conveyed.

Said conveyance is subject to all rights of way, easements, and restrictions of record.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed from David J. Meeks to Austin Minh Tran and Tiffany Lee Tran, dated June 22, 2005, and recorded in Deed Book 776, Pages 303-304, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Baldwin County, Georgia.

fter recording return to: Molly H. Watson Haygood, Lynch, Harris, Melton & Watson, LLP 87 North Lee Street P.O. Box 657 Forsyth, Georgia 31029 Dur File No. A58-17298





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#### MODIFICATION AGREEMENT

#### STATE OF GEORGIA

#### COUNTY OF JASPER.

For the purpose of conforming the same to the Intention of the parties, and in consideration of the premises hereinafter set forth, it is agreed between the undersigned parties that the security deed heretofore made by ROGER DALE PARKER and LINDA GAIL PARKER to FIRST FINANCIAL BANK on November 12, 2009, recorded in Deed Book 1006, Pages 273-283, Baldwin County records, and recorded in Deed Book 725, Pages 102-111, Jasper County records, and securing collateral described In Exhibit "A" attached hereto, shall be amended and modified in the following particulars:

WHEREAS, said deeds to secure debt secure a certain indebtedness as described In said deeds, and also any other loans or advances subsequently made and any obligations which may exist between Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gall Parker and First Financial Bank until sald deeds are cancelled; and

WHEREAS, First Financial Bank has this day extended, modified and renewed the original Indebtedness secured by the above described security deeds so that this instrument is made to secure the payment of note(s) dated July 23, 2010 due and payable on or before July 23, 2023 (hereafter referred to as the "Note"), so that the principal indebtedness of the Borrower to the Lender is now \$935,000.00 secured by property described in the aforementioned deeds.

That said deeds to secure debt shall secure the additional advance, extension, modification, and renewal of indebtedness to the same extent as the original

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# EXHIBIT "A"

#### TRACT ONE:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 68, 69 and 93 of the 13<sup>th</sup> Land District, 365<sup>th</sup> G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, and being shown as an **84.53** acre tract as shown on that certain Plat of Survey for Allen Schrock and Lucinda Schrock prepared and certified by Linda H. Jordan, Jasper County Surveyor, said plat being dated June 27, 1997, and recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 387, Public Records of Jasper County, Georgia, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property.

**LESS AND EXCEPT:** All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in 365 GMD, Land Lot 93 of the 13<sup>th</sup> District of Jasper County, Georgia, containing **7.91** acres shown on plat of survey entitled 'Survey for: Simon D. Parker' prepared by Jordan Engineering, Michael A. Lewis, RLS No. 2869, dated October 12, 2007, and recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 493-A, Clerk's Office, Jasper Superior Court, which plat is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed from Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to Simon D. Parker dated December 17, 2007, and recorded in Deed Book 659, Page 299, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia.

#### TRACT TWO:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 61 and 68 of the 13<sup>th</sup> Land District, 365<sup>th</sup> G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, and being shown as **30.80** acres, more or less, as shown on that Plat of Survey prepared and certified by Linda H. Jordan, Jasper County Surveyor, and said plat being recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 309, Public Records of Jasper County, Georgia, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property.

This conveyance is made subject to all zoning ordinances, easements and restrictions of record affecting said bargained premises.

Tracts One and Two are the Identical tracts described in that certain Joint Tenancy with Survivorship Warranty Deed from Allen R. Schrock and Lucinda H. Schrock to Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker, dated June 22, 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 585, Pages 23-24, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia.

# TRACT THREE:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 115<sup>th</sup> G.M. District, Baldwin County, Georgia, containing 24.095 ACRES and further identified as having such shape, size, metes, bounds, courses and distance as are shown upon a plat thereof entitied "Austin M. Tran & Tiffany Le Tran" by James E. Smith, Jr., G.R.L.S. No. 1895, dated May 25, 2005, and recorded in Plat Book 29, Page 28, Clerk's Office, Baldwin County Superior Court. Reference is hereby made to said plat and incorporated herein for the purpose of a more particular and accurate description of the property herein conveyed.

Sald conveyance is subject to all rights of way, easements, and restrictions of record.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed Creating Joint Tenancy With Survivorship from Austin Minh Tran and Tiffany Lee Tran to Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gali Parker, dated November 12, 2009, and recorded in Deed Book 1006, Pages 271-272, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Baldwin County, Georgia.



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LOAN NUMBER LOAN NAME ACCT. NUMBER NOTE DATE INITIALS 1039 ROGER DALE PARKER 03/04/10 JMU-062 NOTE AMOUNT INDEX (w/Margin) RATE MATURITY DATE LOAN PURPOSE \$92,000.00 Wall Street Journal 7.750% 03/04/20 Agricultural U.S. Prime Rate plus 4.500% Creditor Use Only

#### PROMISSORY NOTE

(Agricultural - Single Advance)

DATE AND PARTIES. The date of this Promissory Note (Note) is March 4, 2010. The parties and their addresses are;

#### I ENDER.

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK 214 North Washington El Dorado, AR 71730 Telephone: (870) 863-7000

#### BORROWER:

ROGER DALE PARKER 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

LINDA GAIL PARKER 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

- 1. DEFINITIONS. As used in this Note, the terms have the following meanings:
  - A. Pronouns. The pronouns "I," "me," and "my" refer to each Borrower signing this Note, individually and together. "You" and "Your" refer to the Lender.
  - B. Note. Note refers to this document, and any extensions, renewals, modifications and substitutions of this Note.
  - C. Loan. Loan refers to this transaction generally, including obligations and duties arising from the terms of all documents prepared or submitted for this transaction such as applications, security agreements, disclosures or notes, and this Note.
  - D. Loan Documents. Loan Documents refer to all the documents executed as a part of or in connection with the Loan.
  - E. Property. Property is any property, real, personal or intangible, that secures my performance of the obligations of this Loan.
  - F. Percent. Rates and rate change limitations are expressed as annualized percentages.
- 2. PROMISE TO PAY. For value received, I promise to pay you or your order, at your address, or at such other location as you may designate, the principal sum of \$92,000.00 (Principal) plus interest from March 4, 2010 on the unpaid Principal balance until this Note matures or this obligation is accelerated.
- 3. INTEREST. Interest will accrue on the unpaid Principal balance of this Note at the rate of 7.750 percent (Interest Rate) until April 1, 2015, after which time it may change as described in the Variable Rate subsection.
  - A. Post-Maturity Interest. After maturity or acceleration, interest will accrue on the unpaid Principal balance of this Note at the Interest Rate in effect from time to time, until paid in full.
  - B. Maximum Interest Amount. Any amount assessed or collected as interest under the terms of this Note will be limited to the maximum lawful amount of interest allowed by state or federal law, whichever is greater. Amounts collected in excess of the maximum lawful amount will be applied first to the unpaid Principal balance. Any remainder will be refunded to me.
  - C. Statutory Authority. The amount assessed or collected on this Note is authorized by the Arkansas usury laws under Ark. Const. art. XIX, § 13(d)(i), provided such laws are not otherwise preempted by federal laws and regulations.
  - D. Accrual. Interest accrues using an Actual/365 days counting method.
  - E. Variable Rate. The Interest Rate may change during the term of this transaction.
    - (1) Index. Beginning with the first Change Date, the Interest Rate will be based on the following index: the base rate on corporate loans posted by at least 70% of the 10 largest U.S. banks known as the Wall Street Journal U.S. Prime

The Current Index is the most recent index figure available on each Change Date. You do not guaranty by selecting this Index, or the margin, that the Interest Rate on this Note will be the same rate you charge on any other loans or class of loans you make to me or other borrowers. If this Index is no longer available, you will substitute a similar index. You will give me notice of your choice,

- (2) Change Date. Each date on which the Interest Rate may change is called a Change Date. The Interest Rate may change April 1, 2015 and every 5 years thereafter.
- (3) Calculation Of Change. On each Change Date you will calculate the Interest Rate, which will be the Current Index plus 4.500 percent. Subject to any limitations, this will be the Interest Rate until the next Change Date. The new Interest Rate will become effective on each Change Date. The Interest Rate and other charges on this Note will never exceed the highest rate or charge allowed by law for this Note.
- (4) Effect Of Variable Rate. A change in the Interest Rate will have the following effect on the payments: The amount of scheduled payments will change.
- GOVERNING AGREEMENT. This Note is further governed by the Commercial Loan Agreement executed between you and as a part of this Loan, as modified, amended or supplemented. The Commercial Loan Agreement states the terms and

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and your successors and assigns and snall be binding upon and enforceable against me and my personal representatives, successors, heirs and assigns.

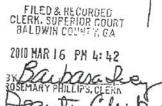
- 15. AMENDMENT, INTEGRATION AND SEVERABILITY. This Note may not be amended or modified by oral agreement. No amendment or modification of this Note is effective unless made in writing and executed by you and me. This Note and the other Loan Documents are the complete and final expression of the agreement. If any provision of this Note is unenforceable, in the unenforceable provision will be severed and the remaining provisions will still be enforceable. No present or future areement securing any other debt I owe you will secure the payment of this Loan if, with respect to this loan, you fail to fulfill any necessary requirements or limitations of Sections 19(a), 32 or 35 of Regulation Z or if, as a result, this Loan would become subject to Section 670 of the John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007.
- 16. INTERPRETATION. Whenever used, the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular. The section headings are for convenience only and are not to be used to interpret or define the terms of this Note.
- 17. NOTICE, FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS. Unless otherwise required by law, any notice will be given by delivering it or mailing it by first class mail to the appropriate party's address listed in the DATE AND PARTIES section, or to any other address designated in writing. Notice to one Borrower will be deemed to be notice to all Borrowers. I will inform you in writing of any change in my name, address or other application information. I agree to sign, deliver, and file any additional documents or certifications that you may consider necessary to perfect, continue, and preserve my obligations under this Loan and to confirm your lien status on any Property. Time is of the essence.
- 18. CREDIT INFORMATION. I agree to supply you with whatever information you reasonably request. You will make requests for this information without undue frequency, and will give me reasonable time in which to supply the information.
- 19. ERRORS AND OMISSIONS. I agree, if requested by you, to fully cooperate in the correction, if necessary, in the reasonable discretion of you of any and all loan closing documents so that all documents accurately describe the loan between you and me. I agree to assume all costs including by way of illustration and not limitation, actual expenses, legal fees and marketing losses for failing to reasonably comply with your requests within thirty (30) days.
- 20. SIGNATURES. By signing, I agree to the terms contained in this Note. I also acknowledge receipt of a copy of this Note.

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When recorded return to AG Department, First Financial Bank-Georgia, 3030 McEver Rd Building 3-Suite 300, Gainesville, GA 30501

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# DEED TO SECURE DEBT

DATE AND PARTIES. The date of this Deed To Secure Debt (GA) (Security Instrument) is March 4, 2010. The parties and their addresses are:

### GRANTOR:

ROGER DALE PARKER Husband 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

LINDA GAIL PARKER Wife 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

# GRANTEE (Lender):

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK Organized and existing under the laws of Arkansas 214 North Washington El Dorado, AR 71730

- 1. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. The Secured Debts secured by this lien were made under a United States Small Business Administration (SBA) nationwide program which uses tax dollars to assist small business owners. If the United States is seeking to enforce this Security Instrument, then under SBA regulations:
  - A. When SBA is the holder of the Note, this Security Instrument and all documents evidencing or securing the Secured Debts will be construed in accordance with federal law.
  - B. Lender or SBA may use local or state procedures for purposes such as filing papers, recording documents, giving notice, toreclosing liens, and other purposes. By using these procedures, SBA does not waive any federal immunity from local or state control, penalty, tax or liability. No Borrower or Guaranter may claim or

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- A. To make all payments when due and to perform or comply with all covenants.
- B. To promptly deliver to Lender any notices that Grantor receives from the holder.
- C. Not to allow any modification or extension of, nor to request any future advances under any note or agreement secured by the lien document without Lender's prior written consent.
- 7. CLAIMS AGAINST TITLE. Grantor will pay all taxes, assessments, liens, encumbrances, lease payments, ground rents, utilities, and other charges relating to the Property when due. Lender may require Grantor to provide to Lender copies of all notices that such amounts are due and the receipts evidencing Grantor's payment. Grantor will defend title to the Property against any claims that would impair the lien of this Security Instrument. Grantor agrees to assign to Lender, as requested by Lender, any rights, claims or defenses Grantor may have against parties who supply labor or materials to maintain or improve the Property.
- 8, ASSUMPTIONS. Subject to conditions and Lender's written consent, someone buying the Property may be allowed to assume this Security Instrument. Without written consent, Lender may, at its option, declare the entire balance of the Secured Debt to be immediately due and payable upon the creation of, or contract for the creation of, any lien, encumbrance, transfer or sale of all or any part of the Property. This right is subject to the restrictions imposed by federal law (12 C.F.R. 591), as applicable.
- 9. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS. Grantor has the right and authority to enter into this Security Instrument. The execution and delivery of this Security Instrument will not violate any agreement governing Grantor or to which Grantor is a party.
- 10, PROPERTY CONDITION, ALTERATIONS AND INSPECTION. Grantor will keep the Property in good condition and make all repairs that are reasonably necessary. Grantor will not commit or allow any waste, impairment, or deterioration of the Property. Grantor will keep the Property free of noxious weeds and grasses. Grantor agrees that the nature of the occupancy and use will not substantially change without Lender's prior written consent. Grantor will not permit any change in any license, restrictive covenant or easement without Lender's prior written consent. Grantor will notify Lender of all demands, proceedings, claims, and actions against Grantor, and of any loss or damage to the Property,

No portion of the Property will be removed, demolished or materially altered without Lender's prior written consent except that Grantor has the right to remove items of personal property comprising a part of the Property that become worn or obsolete, provided that such personal property is replaced with other personal property at least equal in value to the replaced personal property, free from any title retention device, security agreement or other encumbrance. Such replacement of personal property will be deemed subject to the security interest created by this Security Instrument. Grantor will not partition or subdivide the Property without Lender's prior written

Lender or Lender's agents may, at Lender's option, enter the Property at any reasonable time for the purpose of inspecting the Property. Lender will give Grantor notice at the time of or before an inspection specifying a reasonable purpose for the inspection. Any inspection of the Property will be entirely for Lender's benefit and Grantor will in no way rely on Lender's inspection.

- 11. AUTHORITY TO PERFORM, If Grantor fails to perform any duty or any of the covenants contained in this Security Instrument, Lender may, without notice, perform or cause them to be performed. Grantor appoints Lender as attorney in fact to sign Grantor's name or pay any amount necessary for performance. Lender's right to perform for Grantor will not create an obligation to perform, and Lender's failure to perform will not preclude Lender from exercising any of Lender's other rights under the law or this Security Instrument. If any construction on the Property is discontinued or not carried on in a reasonable manner, Lender may take all steps necessary to protect Lender's security interest in the Property, including completion of the construction.
- 12. ASSIGNMENT OF LEASES AND RENTS. Grantor irrevocably assigns, grants, bargains, transfers, conveys to Lender as additional security all the right, title and interest in the following (Property).
  - A. Existing or future leases, subleases, licenses, guaranties and any other written or verbal agreements for the use and occupancy of the Property, including but not limited to any extensions, renewals, modifications or replacements (Leases).
  - B. Rents, issues and profits, including but not limited to security deposits, minimum rents, percentage rents, additional rents, common area maintenance charges, parking charges, real estate taxes, other applicable taxes,

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Grantor will provide Lender with collateral of at least equal value to the Property without prejudice to any Lender's rights under this Security Instrument.

- L. Notwithstanding any of the language contained in this Security Instrument to the contrary, the terms of this section will survive any foreclosure or satisfaction of this Security Instrument regardless of any passage of title to Lender or any disposition by Lender of any or all of the Property. Any claims and defenses to the contrary are hereby waived.
- 17. CONDEMNATION. Grantor will give Lender prompt notice of any pending or threatened action by private or public entities to purchase or take any or all of the Property through condemnation, eminent domain, or any other means. Grantor authorizes Lender to intervene in Grantor's name in any of the above described actions or claims. Grantor assigns to Lender the proceeds of any award or claim for damages connected with a condemnation or other taking of all or any part of the Property. Such proceeds will be considered payments and will be applied as provided in this Security Instrument. This assignment of proceeds is subject to the terms of any prior mortgage, deed of trust, deed to secure debt, security agreement or other lien document.
- 18. ESCROW FOR TAXES AND INSURANCE. As provided in a separate agreement, Grantor agrees to pay to Lender funds for taxes and insurance in escrow.
- 19. CO-SIGNERS. If Grantor signs this Security Instrument but is not otherwise obligated to pay the Secured Debts, Grantor does so only to convey Grantor's interest in the Property to secure payment of the Secured Debts and Grantor does not agree by signing this Security Instrument to be personally liable on the Secured Debts. If this Security Instrument secures a guaranty between Lender and Grantor, Grantor agrees to waive any rights that may prevent Lender from bringing any action or claim against Grantor or any party indebted under the obligation.
- 20. WAIVERS. Except to the extent prohibited by law, Grantor waives all homestead and other exemption rights relating to the Property.
- 21. PERSONAL PROPERTY. Grantor gives to Lender a security interest in all personal property located on or connected with the Property, including all farm products, inventory, equipment, accounts, documents, instruments, chattel paper, general intangibles, and all other items of personal property Grantor owns now or in the future and that are used or useful in the construction, ownership, operation, management, or maintenance of the Property (all of which shall also be included in the term Property). The term "personal property" specifically excludes that property described as "household goods" secured in connection with a "consumer" loan as those terms are defined in applicable federal regulations governing unfair and deceptive credit practices.
- 22. APPLICABLE LAW. This Security Instrument is governed by the laws of Arkansas, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law.
- 23. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. Each Granter's obligations under this Security Instrument are independent of the obligations of any other Grantor. Lender may sue each Grantor individually or together with any other Grantor. Lender may release any part of the Property and Grantor will still be obligated under this Security Instrument for the remaining Property. If this Security Instrument secures a guaranty between Lender and Grantor, Grantor agrees to waive any rights that may prevent Lender from bringing any action or claim against Grantor or any party indebted under the obligation. These rights may include, but are not limited to, any anti-deficiency or one-action laws. Grantor agrees that Lender and any party to this Security Instrument may extend, modify or make any change in the terms of this Security Instrument or any evidence of debt without Grantor's consent. Such a change will not release Grantor from the terms of this Security Instrument. The duties and benefits of this Security Instrument will bind and benefit the successors and assigns of Lender and Grantor.
- 24. AMENDMENT, INTEGRATION AND SEVERABILITY. This Security Instrument may not be amended or modified by oral agreement. No amendment or modification of this Security Instrument is effective unless made in writing and executed by Grantor and Lender. This Security Instrument and any other documents relating to the Secured Debts are the complete and final expression of the agreement. If any provision of this Security Instrument is unenforceable, then the unenforceable provision will be severed and the remaining provisions will still be enforceable.

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LENDER:

First Financial Bank

Jody Murphey, Vice President

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

(Unofficial Witness)

(Notary Public, Kanks County, Georgia)

Shella F. Griffin Notary Public, Banks County, Georgia My Commission Expires October 19, 2013

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# 3. PAYMENT TERMS:

Borrower must make all payments at the place Lender designates. The payment terms for this Note are:

Maturity: This Note will mature in 15 years from date of Note.

Repayment Terms:

The interest rate is 5.80% Fixed per year.

Borrower must pay principal and interest payments of \$113,310.00 every year, beginning twelve months from the month this Note is dated; payments must be made on the 24th calendar day in the months they are due.

Lender will apply each installment payment first to pay interest accrued to the day Lender receives the payment, then to bring principal current, then to pay any late fees, and will apply any remaining balance to reduce principal.

Loan Prepayment:

Notwithstanding any provision in this Note to the contrary:

Borrower may prepay this Note. Borrower may prepay 20 percent or less of the unpaid principal balance at any time without notice. If Borrower prepays more than 20 percent and the Loan has been sold on the secondary market, Borrower must:

- a. Give Lender written notice;
- b. Pay all accrued interest; and
- c. If the prepayment is received less than 21 days from the date Lender receives the notice, pay an amount equal to 21 days' interest from the date lender receives the notice, less any interest accrued during the 21 days and paid under subparagraph b., above.

If Borrower does not prepay within 30 days from the date Lender receives the notice, Borrower must give Lender a new notice.

Subsidy Recoupment Fee. When in any one of the first three years from the date of initial disbursement Borrower voluntarily prepays more than 25% of the outstanding principal balance of the loan, Borrower must pay to Lender on behalf of SBA a prepayment fee for that year as follows:

- a. During the first year after the date of initial disbursement, 5% of the total prepayment amount;
- b. During the second yearafter the date of initial disbursement, 3% of the total prepayment amount; and
- c. During the third year after the date of initial disbursement, 1% of the total prepayment amount.

All remaining principal and accrued interest is due and payable 15 years from date of Note.

Late Charge: If a payment on this Note is more than 10 days late, Lender may charge Borrower a late fee of up to 5.00% of the unpaid portion of the regularly scheduled payment.

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#### 7. WHEN FEDERAL LAW APPLIES:

When SBA is the holder, this Note will be interpreted and enforced under federal law, including SBA regulations. Lender or SBA may use state or local procedures for filing papers, recording documents, giving notice, foreclosing liens, and other purposes. By using such procedures, SBA does not waive any federal immunity from state or local control, penalty, tax, or liability. As to this Note, Borrower may not claim or assert against SBA any local or state law to deny any obligation, defeat any claim of SBA, or preempt federal law.

#### 8. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:

Under this Note, Borrower and Operating Company include the successors of each, and Lender includes its successors and assigns.

#### 9. GENERAL PROVISIONS:

- A. All individuals and entities signing this Note are jointly and severally liable.
- B. Borrower waives all suretyship defenses.
- C. Borrower must sign all documents necessary at any time to comply with the Loan Documents and to enable Lender to acquire, perfect, or maintain Lender's liens on Collateral.
- D. Lender may exercise any of its rights separately or together, as many times and in any order it chooses. Lender may delay or forgo enforcing any of its rights without giving up any of them.
- E. Borrower may not use an oral statement of Lender or SBA to contradict or alter the written terms of this Note.
- F. If any part of this Note is unenforceable, all other parts remain in effect.
- G. To the extent allowed by law, Borrower waives all demands and notices in connection with this Note, including presentment, demand, protest, and notice of dishonor. Borrower also waives any defenses based upon any claim that Lender did not obtain any guarantee; did not obtain, perfect, or maintain a lien upon Collateral; impaired Collateral; or did not obtain the fair market value of Collateral at a sale.

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BORROWER'S NAME(S) AND SIGNATURE(S):			
By signing below, each individual or entity becomes obligated	under this Note as B	orrower.	
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federal immunity from local or state control, penalty, tax or liability. No Borrower or Guarantor may claim or assert against SBA any local or state law to deny any obligation of Borrower, or defeat any claim of SBA with respect to the Secured Debts.

Any clause in this Security Instrument requiring arbitration is not enforceable when SBA is the holder of the Note secured by this Security Instrument.

2. CONVEYANCE. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, and to secure the Secured Debts and Grantor's performance under this Security Instrument, Grantor does hereby irrevocably grant, bargain, transfer, convey and sell to Lender, with power of sale, the following described property:

# SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" LEGAL DESCRIPTION

The property is located in Baldwin County at 891 HWY 24 E, MILLEDGEVILE, GA 31061 AND IN JASPER COUNTY AT 288 GORDON ROAD, HILLSBORD, Georgia 31038.

Together with all rights, easements, appurtenances, royalties, mineral rights, oil and gas rights, crops, timber, all diversion payments or third party payments made to crop producers, all water and riparian rights, wells, ditches, reservoirs and water stock and all existing and future improvements, structures, fixtures, and replacements that may now, or at any time in the future, be part of the real estate described (all referred to as Property). This Security Instrument will remain in effect until the Secured Debts and all underlying agreements have been terminated in writing by Lender.

- 3. SECURED DEBTS AND FUTURE ADVANCES. The term "Secured Debts" includes and this Security Instrument will secure each of the following:
  - A. Specific Debts. The following debts and all extensions, renewals, refinancings, modifications and replacements. A promissory note or other agreement, No. 120034177, dated June 24, 2013, from Grantor to Lender, with a loan amount of one million one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars and zero cents (\$1,115,000.00) and maturing on June 24, 2028.
  - B. Future Advances All future advances from Lender to Grantor under the Specific Debts executed by Grantor in favor of Lender after this Security Instrument. If more than one person signs this Security Instrument, each agrees that this Security Instrument will secure all future advances that are given to Grantor either individually or with others who may not sign this Security Instrument. All future advances are secured by this Security Instrument even though all or part may not yet be advanced. All future advances are secured as if made on the date of this Security Instrument. Nothing in this Security Instrument shall constitute a commitment to make additional or future advances in any amount. Any such commitment must be agreed to in a separate writing. In the event that Lender falls to provide any required notice of the right of rescission, Lender waives any subsequent security interest in the Grantor's principal dwelling that is created by this Security Instrument. This Security Instrument will not secure any other debt if Lender fails, with respect to that other debt, to fulfill any necessary requirements or limitations of Sections 19(a), 32, or 35 of Regulation Z.
  - C. All Debts. All present and future debts from Grantor to Lender, even if this Security Instrument is not specifically referenced, or if the future debt is unrelated to or of a different type than this debt. If more than one person signs this Security Instrument, each agrees that it will secure debts incurred either individually or with others who may not sign this Security Instrument. Nothing in this Security Instrument constitutes a commitment to make additional or future loans or advances. Any such commitment must be in writing. In the event that Lender fails to provide any required notice of the right of rescission, Lender waives any subsequent security interest in the Grantor's principal dwelling that is created by this Security Instrument. This Security Instrument will not secure any debt for which a non-possessory, non-purchase money security interest is created in "household goods" in connection with a "consumer loan," as those terms are defined by federal law governing unfair and deceptive credit practices. This Security Instrument will not secure any debt for which a security interest is created in "margin stock" and Lender does not obtain a "statement of purpose," as defined and required by federal law governing securities. This Security Instrument will not secure any other debt if Lender fails, with respect to that other debt, to fulfill any necessary requirements or limitations of Sections 19(a), 32, or 35 of Regulation Z.

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Property in damaged condition, Grantor's rights to any insurance policies and proceeds will pass to Lender to the extent of the Secured Debts.

Grantor will immediately notify Lender of cancellation or termination of insurance. If Grantor fails to keep the Property insured, Lender may obtain insurance to protect Lender's interest in the Property and Grantor will pay for the insurance on Lender's demand. Lender may demand that Grantor pay for the insurance all at once, or Lender may add the insurance premiums to the balance of the Secured Debts and charge interest on it at the rate that applies to the Secured Debts. This Insurance may include coverages not originally required of Grantor, may be written by a company other than one Grantor would choose, and may be written at a higher rate than Grantor could obtain if Grantor purchased the insurance. Grantor acknowledges and agrees that Lender or one of Lender's affiliates may receive commissions on the purchase of this insurance.

- 19. ESCROW FOR TAXES AND INSURANCE. Grantor will not be required to pay to Lender funds for taxes and insurance in escrow.
- 20. WAIVERS. Except to the extent prohibited by law, Grantor waives all homestead and other exemption rights relating to the Property.
- 21. APPLICABLE LAW. This Security Instrument is governed by the laws of Arkansas, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law.
- 22. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. Each Grantor's obligations under this Security Instrument are independent of the obligations of any other Grantor. Lender may sue each Grantor individually or together with any other Grantor. Lender may release any part of the Property and Grantor will still be obligated under this Security Instrument for the remaining Property. Grantor agrees that Lender and any party to this Security Instrument may extend, modify or make any change in the terms of this Security Instrument or any evidence of debt without Grantor's consent. Such a change will not release Grantor from the terms of this Security Instrument. The duties and benefits of this Security Instrument will bind and benefit the successors and assigns of Lender and Grantor.
- 23. AMENDMENT, INTEGRATION AND SEVERABILITY. This Security Instrument may not be amended or modified by oral agreement. No amendment or modification of this Security Instrument is effective unless made in writing and executed by Grantor and Lender. This Security Instrument and any other documents relating to the Secured Debts are the complete and final expression of the agreement. If any provision of this Security Instrument is unenforceable, then the unenforceable provision will be severed and the remaining provisions will still be enforceable.
- 24. INTERPRETATION. Whenever used, the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular. The section headings are for convenience only and are not to be used to interpret or define the terms of this Security Instrument.
- 25. NOTICE, ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS AND RECORDING FEES. Unless otherwise required by law, any notice will be given by delivering it or mailing it by first class mail to the appropriate party's address listed in the DATE AND PARTIES section, or to any other address designated in writing. Notice to one Grantor will be deemed to be notice to all Grantors. Grantor will inform Lender in writing of any change in Grantor's name, address or other application information. Grantor will provide Lender any other, correct and complete information Lender requests to effectively mortgage or convey the Property, Grantor agrees to pay all expenses, charges and taxes in connection with the preparation and recording of this Security Instrument. Grantor agrees to sign, deliver, and file any additional documents or certifications that Lender may consider necessary to perfect, continue, and preserve Grantor's obligations under this Security Instrument and to confirm Lender's lien status on any Property, and Grantor agrees to pay all expenses, charges and taxes in connection with the preparation and recording thereof. Time is of the essence.
- 26. SECURITY DEED. This Security Instrument is a deed passing legal title pursuant to the laws of the State of Georgia governing conveyances of property to secure debt and is not a mortgage.

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LENDER:

First Financial Bank

By

Jody Murphey, Vice President

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of:

(Unofficial Witness)

County, Georgia) (Notary Public

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# EXHIBIT "A"

### TRACT ONE:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 68, 69 and 93 of the 13th Land District, 365th G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, and being shown as an 84.53 acre tract as shown on that certain Plat of Survey for Allen Schrock and Lucinda Schrock prepared and certified by Linda H. Jordan, Jasper County Surveyor, said plat being dated June 27, 1997, and recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 387, Public Records of Jasper County, Georgia, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property.

LESS AND EXCEPT: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in 365 GMD, Land Lot 93 of the 13th District of Jasper County, Georgia, containing 7.91 acres shown on plat of survey entitled 'Survey for: Simon D. Parker' prepared by Jordan Engineering, Michael A. Lewis, RLS No. 2869, dated October 12, 2007, and recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 493-A, Clerk's Office, Jasper Superior Court, which plat is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed from Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to Simon D. Parker dated December 17, 2007, and recorded in Deed Book 659, Page 299, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia.

### TRACT TWO:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 61 and 68 of the 13th Land District, 365th G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, and being shown as 30.80 acres, more or less, as shown on that Plat of Survey prepared and certified by Linda H. Jordan, Jasper County Surveyor, and said plat being recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 309, Public Records of Jasper County, Georgia, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property.

This conveyance is made subject to all zoning ordinances, easements and restrictions of record affecting said bargained premises.

TRACTS ONE & TWO are the identical tracts described in that certain Joint Tenancy with Survivorship Warranty Deed from Allen R, Schrock and Lucinda H. Schrock to Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker, dated June 22, 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 585, Pages 23-24, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia.

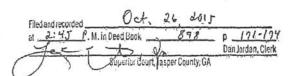
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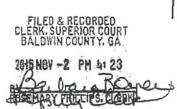
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 115th G.M. District, Baldwin County, Georgia, containing 24.095 ACRES and further identified as having such shape, size, metes, bounds, courses and distance as are shown upon a plat thereof entitled "Austin M. Tran & Tiffany Le Tran" by James E. Smith, Jr., G.R.L.S. No. 1895, dated May 25, 2005, and recorded in Plat Book 29, Page 28, Clerk's Office, Baldwin County Superior Court, Reference is hereby made to said plat and incorporated herein for the purpose of a more particular and accurate description of the property herein conveyed.

Said conveyance is subject to all rights of way, easements, and restrictions of record.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed Creating Joint Tenancy With Survivorship from Austin Minh Tran and Tiffany Lee Tran to Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker, dated November 12, 2009, and recorded in Deed Book 1006, Pages 271-272, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Baldwin County, Georgia,

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# MODIFICATION OF DEED TO SECURE DEBT

DATE AND PARTIES. The date of this Real Estate Modification (Modification) is August 3, 2015. The parties and their addresses are:

#### GRANTOR:

ROGER DALE PARKER- DBA PARKER'S POULTRY Husband 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

LINDA GAIL PARKER- DBA PARKER'S POULTRY Wife 288 GORDON ROAD HILLSBORO, GA 31038

GRANTEE (Lender):

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK Organized and existing under the laws of Arkansas 214 North Washington El Dorado, AR 71730

1. BACKGROUND. Grantor and Lender entered into a security instrument dated June 24, 2013 and recorded on July 01, 2013 (Security Instrument). The Security Instrument was recorded in the records of Baldwin County, Georgia at Book 1139, Page 229-239 & Book 828, Page 289-299 in Jasper County, Georgia and covered the following described Property:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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4. CONTINUATION OF TERMS. Except as specifically amended in this Modification, all of the terms of the Security Instrument shall remain in full force and effect.

SIGNATURES. By signing under seal, Grantor agrees to the terms and covenants contained in this Modification. Grantor also acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Modification.

GRANTOR:

ROGER DALE PARKER- DBA PARKER'S POULTRY

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

GAIL PARKER- DBA PARKER'S POULTRY

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of;

ROGER DALE PARKER- DBA PARKER'S POULTR' Georgia Real Estate Modification

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- (4) Effect Of Variable Rate. A change in the Interest Rate will have the following effect on the payments: The amount of scheduled payments will change.
- 4. GOVERNING AGREEMENT. This Note is further governed by the Commercial Loan Agreement executed between you and me as a part of this Loan, as modified, amended or supplemented. The Commercial Loan Agreement states the terms and conditions of this Note, including the terms and conditions under which the maturity of this Note may be accelerated. When I ign this Note, I represent to you that I have reviewed and am in compliance with the terms contained in the Commercial Loan Agreement.
- 5. PAYMENT. I agree to pay this Note in 10 payments. A payment of \$2,717.94 will be due December 7, 2019, and on the same day each year thereafter. This scheduled payment amount may change to reflect changes in the Interest Rate as described in the Variable Rate subsection of this Note. A final payment of the entire unpaid balance of Principal and interest will be due December 7, 2028.

Payments will be rounded to the nearest \$.01. With the final payment I also agree to pay any additional fees or charges owing and the amount of any advances you have made to others on my behalf. Payments scheduled to be paid on the 29th, 30th or 31st day of a month that contains no such day will, instead, be made on the last day of such month.

Each payment I make on this Note will be applied first to interest that is due, then to principal that is due, then to any charges that I owe other than principal and interest, and finally to any additional principal. If you and I agree to a different application of payments, we will describe our agreement on this Note. You may change how payments are applied in your sole discretion without notice to me. The actual amount of my final payment will depend on my payment record.

- 6. PREPAYMENT. I may prepay this Loan in full or in part at any time. Any partial prepayment will not excuse any later scheduled payments until I pay in full.
- 7. LOAN PURPOSE. The purpose of this Loan is TO UPGRADE FAN MOTORS, PAY GAS BILL, FILL TANKS TO 50% PLUS PAY LOAN FEES AND CLOSING COST.
- 8. SECURITY. The Loan is secured by separate security instruments prepared together with this Note as follows:

Document Name

Parties to Document

Assignment Of Life Insurance Policy -

LINDA GAIL PARKER

Assignment Of Life Insurance Policy -

ROGER DALE PARKER

Security Agreement - ROGER DALE PARKER,

LINDA GAIL PARKER

ROGER DALE PARKER, LINDA GAIL PARKER

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24 E & 891 HIGHWAY 24 E,

ROGER DALE PARKER, LINDA GAIL PARKER

MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061

Deed To Secure Debt (GA) - 288 GORDON

ROAD, HILLSBORO, GA 31038

ROGER DALE PARKER, LINDA GAIL PARKER

- 7. ASSUMPTIONS. Subject to conditions and your written consent, someone buying the Property may be allowed to assume his Note. Without written consent, you may, at your option, declare the entire balance of this Note to be immediately due and payable upon the creation of, or contract for the creation of, any lien, encumbrance, transfer or sale of all or any part of the Property. This right is subject to the restrictions imposed by federal law, as applicable. An assumption fee may be assessed if I request, and you agree, to transfer some or all of the Property to another party.
- 10. WAIVERS AND CONSENT. To the extent not prohibited by law, I waive protest, presentment for payment, demand, notice of acceleration, notice of intent to accelerate and notice of dishonor.
  - A. Additional Waivers By Borrower. In addition, I, and any party to this Note and Loan, to the extent permitted by law, consent to certain actions you may take, and generally waive defenses that may be available based on these actions or based on the status of a party to this Note.
    - (1) You may renew or extend payments on this Note, regardless of the number of such renewals or extensions.
    - (2) You may release any Borrower, endorser, guarantor, surety, accommodation maker or any other co-signer.
    - (3) You may release, substitute or impair any Property securing this Note.
    - (4) You, or any institution participating in this Note, may invoke your right of set-off.
    - (5) You may enter into any sales, repurchases or participations of this Note to any person in any amounts and I waive notice of such sales, repurchases or participations.
    - (6) I agree that any of us signing this Note as a Borrower is authorized to modify the terms of this Note or any instrument securing, guarantying or relating to this Note.
  - B. No Waiver By Lender. Your course of dealing, or your forbearance from, or delay in, the exercise of any of your rights, remedies, privileges or right to insist upon my strict performance of any provisions contained in this Note, or any other Loan Document, shall not be construed as a waiver by you, unless any such waiver is in writing and is signed by you,
- 11. COMMISSIONS. I understand and agree that you (or your affiliate) will earn commissions or fees on any insurance products, and may earn such fees on other services that I buy through you or your affiliate.
- 12. APPLICABLE LAW. This Note is governed by the laws of Arkansas, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law.
- 13. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. My obligation to pay the Loan is independent of the obligation of any other person who has also agreed to pay it. You may sue me alone, or anyone else who is obligated on the Loan, or any number of us together, to collect the Loan. Extending the Loan or new obligations under the Loan, will not affect my duty under the Loan and I will still be obligated to pay the Loan. This Note shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by you and your successors and assigns and shall be binding upon and enforceable against me and my personal representatives, successors, heirs and assigns.
- 14. AMENDMENT, INTEGRATION AND SEVERABILITY. This Note may not be amended or modified by oral agreement. No nendment or modification of this Note is effective unless made in writing. This Note and the other Loan Documents are the

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# EXHIBIT 10

2. CONVEYANCE. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, and to secure the Secured Debts and Grantor's performance under this Security Instrument, Grantor does hereby irrevocably grant, bargain, transfer, convey and sell to Lender, with power of sale, the following described property:

### SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION

The property is located in Baldwin County at 897 HIGHWAY 24 E & 891 HIGHWAY 24 E, MILLEDGEVILLE, Georgia 31061.

Together with all rights, easements, appurtenances, royalties, mineral rights, oil and gas rights, crops, timber including timber to be cut now or at any time in the future, all diversion payments or third party payments made to crop producers, all water and riperian rights, wells, ditches, reservoirs and water stock and all existing and future improvements, structures, fixtures, and replacements that may now, or at any time in the future, be part of the real estate described (all referred to as Property). This Security Instrument will remain in effect until the Secured Debts and all underlying agreements have been terminated in writing by Lender.

- 3, SECURED DEBTS. The term "Secured Debts" includes and this Security Instrument will secure each of the following:
  - A. Specific Debts. The following debts and all extensions, renewals, refinancings, modifications and replacements. A promissory note or other agreement, dated December 7, 2016, from Grantor te Lender, with a loan amount of twenty thousand dollars and zero cents (\$20,000.00) and maturing on December 7, 2028.
  - B. All Debts. All present and future debts from Grantor to Lender, even if this Security Instrument is not specifically referenced, or if the future debt is unrelated to or of a different type than this debt. If more than one person signs this Security Instrument, each agrees that it will secure debts incurred either individually or with others who may not sign this Security Instrument. Nothing In this Security Instrument constitutes a commitment to make additional or future loans or advances. Any such commitment must be in writing. This Security Instrument will not secure any debt for which a non-possessory, non-purchase money security interest is created in "household goods" in connection with a "consumer loan," as those terms are defined by federal law governing unfair and deceptive credit practices. This Security Instrument will not secure any debt for which a security interest is created in "margin stock" and Lender does not obtain a "statement of purpose," as defined and required by federal law governing securities. This Security Instrument will not secure any other debt if Lender, with respect to that other debt, fails to fulfill any necessary requirements or fails to conform to any limitations of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (Regulation X) that are required for loans secured by the Property.
  - C. Sums Advanced. All sums advanced and expenses incurred by Lender under the terms of this Security instrument.
- 4. PAYMENTS. Grantor agrees that all payments under the Secured Debts will be paid when due and in accordance with the terms of the Secured Debts and this Security Instrument.
- 5. WARRANTY OF TITLE, Grantor warrants that Grantor is or will be lawfully seized of the estate conveyed by this Security Instrument and has the right to irrevocably grant, bargain, transfer, convey and sell the Property to Lender, with power of sale. Grantor also warrants that the Property Is unencumbered, except for encumbrances of record.

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Lender's option. If Lender acquires the Property in damaged condition, Grantor's rights to any insurance policies and proceeds will pass to Lender to the extent of the Secured Debts.

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Grantor will immediately notify Lender of cancellation or termination of insurance. If Grantor fails to keep the Property insured, Lender may obtain insurance to protect Lender's interest in the Property and Grantor will pay for the insurance on Lender's demand. Lender may demand that Grantor pay for the insurance all at once, or Lender may add the insurance premiums to the balance of the Secured Debts and charge Interest on it at the rate that applies to the Secured Debts. This insurance may include lesser or greater coverages than originally required of Grantor, may be written by a company other than one Grantor would choose, and may be written at a higher rate than Grantor could obtain if Grantor purchased the insurance. Grantor acknowledges and agrees that Lender or one of Lender's affiliates may receive commissions on the purchase of this insurance.

- 19. ESCROW FOR TAXES AND INSURANCE. Grantor will not be required to pay to Lender funds for taxes and insurance in escrow.
- 20. WAIVERS. Except to the extent prohibited by law, Grantor waives all homestead and other exemption rights relating to the Property.
- 21. USE OF PROPERTY. Grantor shall not use or occupy the Property in any manner that would constitute a violation of any state and/or federal laws involving controlled substances, even in a jurisdiction that allows such use by state or local law or ordinance. In the event that Grantor becomes aware of such a violation, Grantor shall take all actions allowed by law to terminate the violating activity.

In addition to all other indemnifications, obligations, rights and remedies contained herein, if the Lender and/or its respective directors, officers, employees, agents and attorneys (each an "Indemnitee") is made a party defendant to any litigation or any claim is threatened or brought against such Indemnitee concerning this Security Instrument or the related property or any part thereof or therein or concerning the construction, maintenance, operation or the occupancy or use of such property, then the Grantor shall (to the extent permitted by applicable law) indemnify, defend and hold each Indemnitee harmless from and against all liability by reason of said litigation or claims, including attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by such indemnitee in connection with any such litigation or claim, whether or not any such litigation or claim is prosecuted to judgment. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the within indemnification shall survive payment of the Secured Debt, and/or any termination, release or discharge executed by the Lender in favor of the Grantor.

Violation of this provision is a material breach of this Security Instrument and thereby constitutes a default under the terms and provisions of this Security Instrument.

- 22. APPLICABLE LAW. This Security Instrument is governed by the laws of Arkansas, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law.
- 23. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. Each Grantor's obligations under this Security Instrument are independent of the obligations of any other Grantor. Lender may sue each Grantor individually or together with any other Grantor. Lender may release any part of the Property and Grantor will still be obligated under this Security Instrument for the remaining Property. Grantor agrees that Lender and any party to this Security Instrument may extend, modify or make any change in the terms of this Security Instrument or any evidence of debt without Grantor's consent. Such a change will not release Grantor from the terms of this

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SIGNATURES. By signing under seal, Grantor agrees to the terms and covenants contained in this Security Instrument. Grantor also acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Security Instrument.

GRANTOR:

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# TRACT TWO:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 61 and 68 of the 13th Land District, 365th G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, and being shown as 30.80 acres, more or less, as shown on that Plat of Survey prepared and

certified by Linda H. Jordan, Jasper County Surveyor, and said plat being recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 309, Public Records of Jasper County, Georgia, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property.

This conveyance is made subject to all zoning ordinances, easements and restrictions of record affecting sald bargained premises.

TRACTS ONE & TWO are the identical tracts described in that certain Joint Tenancy with Survivorship Warranty Deed from Allen R. Schrock and Lucinda H. Schrock to Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker, dated June 22, 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 585, Pages 23-24, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia. LESS AND EXCEPT that certain 16.65 acres conveyed to Kevin H. Connell by Warranty Deed dated February 7, 2014, and recorded in Deed Book 848, Page 6, aforesald records.

# **BALDWIN COUNTY PROPERTY**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 115th G.M. District, Baldwin County, Georgia, containing 24.095 ACRES and further identified as having such shape, size, metes, bounds, courses and distance as are shown upon a plat thereof entitled "Austin M. Tran & Tiffany Le Tran" by James E. Smith, Jr., G.R.L.S. No. 1895, dated May 25, 2005, and recorded in Plat Book 29, Page 28, Clerk's Office, Baldwin County Superior Court. Reference is hereby made to said plat and incorporated herein for the purpose of a more particular and accurate description of the property herein conveyed.

Said conveyance is subject to all rights of way, easements, and restrictions of record.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed Creating Joint Tenancy With Survivorship from Austin Minh Tran and Tiffany Lee Tran to Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker, dated November 12, 2009, and recorded in Deed Book 1006, Pages 271-272, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Baldwin County, Georgia.

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Mr. Roger Dale Parker and Ms. Linda Gail Parker January 21, 2020 Page 2

Financial Bank will exercise all of its rights available under the above-referenced loan documents and pursuant to Georgia law, including, without limitation, its right to foreclose on the deed to secure debt and seek a judgment for any deficiency that may remain.

In addition, unless the amount due is paid in full within ten (10) days after you receive this correspondence, the provision for attorneys' fees in the loan documents will be enforced, as provided by Official Code of Georgia Annotated ("O.C.G.A.") Section 13-1-11, and you will be required to pay such stipulated attorneys' fees. The payment for attorneys' fees will be in addition to the obligation to pay the amounts due. If my client receives the amount due within ten (10) days after you receive this letter, you will not be required to pay the attorneys' fees. In other words, you can avoid the additional obligation of attorneys' fees if the amount due is fully paid within ten (10) days from receipt of this letter.

If you dispute the validity of the debt, the amount owed, or any portion thereof, and provide written notice of the dispute to me, written verification of the debt or the disputed portion will be provided; however, if you do not notify me of such dispute, I will assume that the amount stated above is correct. Notification to me of any dispute in the amount owed will not necessarily provide a grace period. THIS LETTER IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED AS A RESULT OF THIS COMMUNICATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

I trust that you will pay First Financial Bank the necessary amounts as set forth in this letter immediately.

Sincerely

Stephen P. Drobny



Stephen P. Drobny

D: 404.870.7539 F: 404.870.7562 sdrobny@joneswalker.com

January 23, 2020

# VIA FIRST CLASS U.S. MAIL AND CERTIFIED MAIL

Roger Dale Parker Linda Gail Parker 897 Highway 24 East Midgeville, GA 31601

# Re: Loan Number 1421

SBA Note dated July 23, 2010, executed by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker in favor of First Financial Bank, in the original principal amount of \$935,000.00, as modified by an Extension Agreement dated August 18, 2011, as modified by an Extension Agreement dated March 13, 2014, as further modified by an Extension Agreement dated May 13, 2019, as evidenced by a Commercial Loan Agreement dated July 23, 2010, executed by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker in favor of First Financial Bank, as secured by, among other security, a Security Agreement dated July 23, 2010, executed by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker in favor of First Financial Bank, and by a Deed to Secure Debt dated November 12, 2009, executed by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker in favor of First Financial Bank, as modified by a Modification Agreement dated July 23, 2010, executed by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker in favor of First Financial Bank, which encumbers real property in Baldwin County, Georgia commonly known as 891 Highway 24 East, Midgeville, Georgia 31061 (the "Loan")

Dear Mr. and Ms. Parker:

My client First Financial Bank informs me that an event of default occurred under the above-referenced Loan as a result of your default under other certain loans with First Financial Bank, in violation of section 4(B) of the Note and in further violation of the respective insecurity clauses contained in the Commercial Loan Agreement and Security Agreement.

First Financial hereby demands that it receive the entire balance due under the above-referenced Loan on or before the close of business on the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after the date of this letter. As of January 21, 2020, the unpaid balance due under the above-referenced Loan is \$554,198.76, consisting of \$530,732.18 in unpaid principal, and \$23,466.58 in accrued interest,

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# EXHIBIT 12

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF JASPER

# NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

By virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed to secure debt (with future advance clause) given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated November 12, 2009 and recorded on November 16, 2009, filed for record in Book 725, Page 102, Jasper County, Georgia Records, and modified by that certain modification agreement given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated July 23, 2010 and recorded on August 13, 2010, filed for record in Book 744, Page 52, Jasper County, Georgia Records, said security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of Nine Hundred Thirty Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$935,000.00), with interest at the rate stated in said promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, and by virtue of that power of sale contained in that certain deed to secure debt given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated March 4, 2010 and recorded on March 15, 2010, filed for record in Book 733, Page 187, Jasper County, Georgia Records, said security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of Ninety-Two Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$92,000.00), with interest at the rate stated in said promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, and by virtue of that deed to secure debt (with future advance clause) given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated June 24, 2013 and recorded on July 1, 2013, filed for record in Book 828, Page 289, Jasper County, Georgia Records, and modified by that certain modification of deed to secure debt given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated August 3, 2015 and recorded on October 26, 2015, filed for record in Book 898, Page 171, Jasper County, Georgia

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Records, said security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of One Million One Hundred Fifteen Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,115,000.00), with interest at the rate stated in said promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, and by virtue of that deed to secure debt given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker dated December 7, 2018 and recorded on December 28, 2018, filed for record in Book 1008, Page 75, Jasper County, Georgia Records, said security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00), with interest at the rate stated in said promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door at Jasper County, Georgia, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on May 5, 2020, the following described property:

# TRACT ONE:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 68, 69 and 93 of the 13th Land District, 365th G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, and being shown as an 84.53 acre tract as shown on that certain Plat of Survey for Allen Schrock and Lucinda Schrock prepared and certified by Linda H. Jordan, Jasper County Surveyor, said plat being dated June 27, 1997, and recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 387, Public Records of Jasper County, Georgia, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property.

LESS AND EXCEPT: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 93 of the 13th District, 365th G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, containing 7.91 acres shown on plat of survey entitled "Survey for: Simon D. Parker" prepared by Jordan Engineering, Michael A. Lewis, RLS No. 2869, dated October 12, 2007, and recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 493-A, Clerk's Office, Jasper Superior Court, which plat is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed from Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to Simon D.

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Parker dated December 17, 2007, and recorded in Deed Book 659, Page 299, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia.

FURTHER, LESS AND EXCEPT: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 93 of the 13th District, 365th G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, containing 16.65 ACRES, according to that certain plat of survey entitled "PROPERTY DIVISION SURVEY FOR KEVIN H. CONNELL", dated January 29, 2014, prepared by Jordan Engineering, Robert O. Jordan, RLS No. 2902, and recorded in Plat Book 11, Page 679, Clerk's Office, Jasper Superior Court, which plat is incorporated herein by reference thereto.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty Deed from Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to Kevin H. Connell, dated February 7, 2014, and recorded in Deed Book 848, Page 6, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia.

# TRACT TWO:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 61 and 68 of the 13th Land District, 365th G.M.D. of Jasper County, Georgia, and being shown as 30.80 acres, more or less, as shown on that Plat of Survey prepared and certified by Linda H. Jordan, Jasper County Surveyor, and said plat being recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 309, Public Records of Jasper County, Georgia, and said plat by reference thereto being incorporated herein and made a part hereof for a more particular description of the captioned property. This conveyance is made subject to all zoning ordinances, easements and restrictions of record affecting said bargained premises.

TRACTS ONE & TWO are the identical tracts described in that certain Joint Tenancy with Survivorship Warranty Deed from Allen R. Schrock and Lucinda H. Schrock to Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker, dated June 22, 2006, and recorded in Deed Book 585, Pages 23-24, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Jasper County, Georgia. LESS AND EXCEPT that certain 16.65 acres conveyed to Kevin H. Connell by Warranty Deed dated February 7, 2014, and recorded in Deed Book 848, Page 6, aforesaid records AND that certain 7.91 acres conveyed to Simon Parker by Warranty Deed dated December 17, 2007, and recorded Deed Book 659, Page 299, aforesaid

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Said legal description being controlling; however, the property is located in Jasper County at 288 and 0 Gordon Road, Hillsboro, GA 31038.

The debts secured by the herein described security deeds have been declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to make payment as agreed and violation of the insecurity clauses in the security deeds and commercial loan agreements between Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker and First Financial Bank. The debts remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, including attorneys' fees.

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of said security deeds with the debtor is First Financial Bank, Attention: Paula Davis, VP/Special Assets, First Financial Bank, 214 N. Washington, El Dorado, AR, (870) 875-8734. Please understand that the secured creditor is not required to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of said security deeds.

Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

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This sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed.

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK as Attorney-in-Fact and Agent for Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker

Jones Walker LLP 1360 Peachtree Street, NE Suite 1030 Atlanta, GA 30309 (404) 870-7500

THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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# Union-Recorder

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# Affidavit of Publication

# STATE OF GA COUNTY OF BALDWIN

I, Keith E. Barlow, do solemnly swear I am the Publisher of the Union Recorder (the "Newspaper"), the official organ for Baldwin County.

Said newspaper is printed and published at Milledgeville, in the State of GA, and that from references to files of said publication, the legal advertisement of

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Keith E. Barlow, publisher

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this day 05/01/2020

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Tiffany C. Duckworth, Notary Public My commission expires 10/29/2021



STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF BALDWIN NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

By virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed to secure debt (with tuture advance clause) given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated

November 12, 2009 and recorded on November 17, 2009, filed for record in Book 1006, Page 273, Baldwin County, Georgia Records, and modified by that certain modification agreement

given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated July 23, 2010 and recorded on August 2, 2010, filed for record in Book 1029, Page 457, Baldwin County,

Georgia Records, said security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of Nine Hundred Thirty Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$935,000.00),

with interest at the rate stated in said promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, and by

virtue of that power of sale contained in that certain deed to secure debt given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated March 4, 2010 and recorded on

March 16, 2010, filed for record in Book 1016, Page 21, Baldwin County, Georgia Records, said

security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of Ninety-Two Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$92,000.00), with interest at the rate stated in said

promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, and by virtue of that deed to secure debt (with future advance clause) given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated June 24, 2013 and recorded on July 15, 2013, tiled for record in Book 1139, Page 229,

Baldwin County, Georgia Records, and modified by that certain modification of deed to secure debt given by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker to First Financial Bank dated August 3,

2015 and recorded on November 2, 2015, filed for record in Book 1220. Page 370, Baldwin County, Georgia Records, said security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of One Million One Hundred Fifteen Thousand and 00/100 Dollars

(\$1,115,000.00), with interest at the rate stated in said promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, and by virtue of that deed to secure debt given

by Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker dated December 7, 2018 and recorded on December 26, 2018, filed for record in Book 1346, Page 556,

security deed having been given to secure a promissory note in the original principal sum of Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00), with interest at the rate stated in said promissory note on the unpaid balance until paid, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door at Baldwin County, Georgia, be-

Baldwin County, Georgia Records, said

tween the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on May 5, 2020, the following described property:

and being in the 115th G.M. District, Baldwin County, Georgia, containing 24.095 ACRES and further identified as having such shape, size, metes, bounds, courses and distance as are shown upon a plat thereof entitled

All that tract or parcel of land lying

"Austin M. Tran & Tiffany Le Tran" by James E. Smith, Jr., G.R.L.S. No. 1895, dated May 25, 2005, and recorded in Plat Book 29, Page 28, Clerk's Office, Baldwin County Superior Court.

Reference is hereby made to said plat and incorporated herein for the purpose of a more particular and accurate description of the property herein conveyed. Said conveyance is subject to all rights of way, easements, and

restrictions of record.

This is the identical property described in that certain Warranty

Deed from David J. Meeks to Austin Minh Tran and Tiffany Lee Tran, dated June 22, 2005, and record-

ed in Deed Book 776, Pages

303-304, Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Baldwin County, Georgia.

Said legal description being controlling; however, the property is located in Baldwin

County at 897 Highway 24 East, Milledgeville, GA 31061.

The debts secured by the herein described security deeds have been declared due because

of, among other possible events of default, failure to make payment as agreed and violation of

the insecurity clauses in the security deeds and commercial loan agreements between Roger Dale

Parker and Linda Gail Parker and First Financial Bank. The debts remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, including attorneys' fees

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of said security deeds with the debtor is First Financial Bank, Attention: Paula Davis, VP/Special Assets, First Financial Bank, 214 N. Washington, El Dora-

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do, AR, (870) 875-8734. Please

understand that the secured creditor is not required to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of said security deeds. Said property will be sold subject to: (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) unpaid water or sewage bills that constitute a lien against the property whether due and payable or not yet due and payable and which may not be of record, (c) the right of redemption of any taxing authority, (d) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (e) any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above. This sale will be conducted subject to (1) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed. FIRST FINANCIAL BANK as Attorney-in-Fact and Agent for Roger Dale Parker and Linda Gail Parker Jones Walker LLP {M1547840.1} 4 1360 Peachtree Street, NE Suite 1030 Atlanta, GA 30309 (404) 870-7500 THIS LAW FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1

April 14th, 2017

Dale Parker DBA Hazel Lee Farm 897 Highway 24 East Milledgeville, GA 31061

Dear Mr. Parker:

This letter serves to inform you of your current level of performance, and to make you aware that your farm has been placed into Perdue's Performance Improvement Program ("PIP"). Your farm, known to Perdue as Hazel Lee Farm, located in Baldwin County, currently has a six flock adjusted prime cost rating ("Six Flock Average") of a -.0058 at the conclusion of the last flock (flock 44).

Our current level for contract termination is at a -.0075 Six Flock Average. If your Six Flock Average falls below -.0075 cents per pound your farm will be placed on a one flock performance notice. Once placed on one flock performance notice, the flock then in your care or thereafter placed in your care (the "Notice Flock") will have to meet one or more of the following criteria:

- 1. Settle at an adjusted prime cost ("APC") rating of -.0025 or better (greater);
- 2. Settle so that the Six Flock Average improves to better (greater) than a -.0075; or
- 3. Settle so that at least three (3) of the last six (6) average an APC of zero (.0000) or better (greater).

Failure to meet one or more of the above criteria will result in the termination of your Poultry Producer Agreement in accordance with the Perdue Performance Improvement Program.

Clay Copeland has discussed with you your farm's performance and plans for improvement. Please contact Clay Copeland or myself if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

Tim Little Live Production Manager Perdue Foods LLC

cc: Director of Live Operations



Roger D. Parker & Linda G. Parker dba Hazel Lee Farm 897 Hwy 24 East Milledgeville, GA 31061

September 19, 2018

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Parker,

This letter is to inform you that Perdue will not place chickens at your farm, Hazel Lee Farm, until certain repairs are made to the farm.

Flock visitation reports show that you were informed about issues with your fans at least three times, starting at placement. On September 11, your flock advisor checked the fans again. His findings indicate that 19 of your 54 fans were not working, dog houses are not sealed, there are holes in the tin that could allow chicks out or rodents in to houses. This is a short list of the findings from this flock and previous flocks. Unfortunately, your farm is not in an operable condition.

On December 16, 2016 you signed the Poultry Producer Agreement. In Section II, part B you agree to the following:

To feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the birds consigned, to provide the necessary housing, utilities, equipment, labor and supplies and to maintain such housing and equipment in a state of good repair and operable condition.

A copy of the Poultry Producer Agreement is attached to this letter.

To be compliant with the Poultry Producer Agreement, you will need to complete the following prior to the next placement is scheduled.

- 1. Repair and/or replace any fan that is not working. All fans must work correctly prior to scheduling placement.
- 2. Repair and/or replace any broken or missing fan shutters. All fans must work correctly prior to scheduling placement.
- 3. Repair and/or replace any heater that is not working. All heaters must work correctly prior to placement.
- 4. Replace the missing cool cell pads. The entire tunnel area should have cool cells.
- 5. Repair the tunnel doors in House 2.
- 6. The dog houses where the cool cells need to be sealed up.
- 7. Patch holes in houses that would allow chicks to get out or wild animals to get into houses.
- 8. Clean, disinfect, and flush drinker lines.

Your cooperation is appreciated. Once you have these items completed contact me to schedule an inspection.

Thanks,

Kathryn Mizell

Growout Manager

Roger D. Parker & Linda G. Parker dba Hazel Lee Farm 897 Hwy 24 East Milledgeville, GA 31061

October 16, 2018

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Parker,

The purpose of this letter is to let you know that Perdue will place chickens at your farm, Hazel Lee Farm, as soon as certain repairs are made to the farm.

Flock visitation reports show that you were informed about issues with your fans at least three times, starting at placement. On September 11, your flock advisor checked the fans again. His findings indicate that 19 of your 54 fans were not working, dog houses are not sealed, there are holes in the tin that could allow chicks out or rodents in to houses. This is a short list of the findings from this flock and previous flocks. Unfortunately, your farm is not in a condition that is suitable for animal welfare.

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- 4. All propane tanks are 70% full.
- 5. Replace the missing cool cell pads. The entire tunnel area should have cool cells.
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Your cooperation is appreciated. Once you have these items completed contact me 478-258-1165 to schedule an inspection.

Thanks,

Kathryn Mizell

Growout Manager

#### POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT, made 6/27/06	, between PERDUE FA	ARMS INCORPO	RATED
a Maryland corporation, of Salisbury, Maryland			
Dale Parker			of.
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hereafter referred to as PRODUCER.	)		× 25

In consideration of the mutual promises of PERDUE and PRODUCER, it is agreed as follows:

#### I. PERDUE AGREES:

- A. To consign available chicks to PRODUCER to be raised for PERDUE.
- B. To provide and deliver to PRODUCER, or arrange to have provided and delivered to PRODUCER, feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which are necessary for the raising of the chicks consigned.
- C. To provide PRODUCER with an accounting of chicks consigned and supplies provided under the terms of this Agreement.
- D. To compensate PRODUCER for services provided herein as provided for in the attached "PRODUCER PAYMENT SCHEDULE."
- E. To provide to PRODUCER upon request thereby statistical information and data regarding PRODUCER and used by PERDUE to determine compensation paid to PRODUCER by PERDUE under this Agreement, other than information that is or relates to a trade secret.

#### II. PRODUCER AGREES:

- A. To accept the chicks when consigned and to raise the chicks until removed at PERDUE's direction from the PRODUCER'S farm.
- B. To feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the chicks consigned and to provide the necessary housing, equipment, supplies to maintain equipment and housing, utilities and labor and to maintain such housing and equipment in a state of good repair and operable condition.
- C. To use only the feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which PERDUE has provided, or has arranged to be provided, to PRODUCER for the raising of the chicks consigned.
- D. To provide curtain minders and an alarm system to monitor electrical power failure and abnormal temperature levels within the poultry house(s) and to maintain the curtain minders and system in operable condition at all times.



- E. To provide for prompt and proper disposal of all dead and cull poultry resulting from normal mortalities and/or catastrophic loss in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state, and local regulations and codes.
- F. To keep records of mortality and other information for the efficient and proper care of the chicks consigned hereby.
- G. To keep no other fowl, wild birds, exotic or domestic pet birds, caged or free running, on the premises and to rid the farm of all birds left on the farm on the same day of the final movement of birds.
- H. To notify PERDUE Flock Supervisor immediately (within 24 hours) if any chicks, for any reason, do not develop normally, or if there is any disease or parasitism noticeable within the flock, or if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock.
- To sell or use any part of a flock only after a written agreement is reached between PERDUE and PRODUCER regarding any such sale.
- J. To provide properly maintained roads free of surface or overhead obstructions from the nearest county or state maintained road to and around PRODUCER'S poultry house(s) and to assume responsibility for all costs incurred if roads are not maintained properly or free of obstructions.
- K. To be present or represented when chicks are delivered and during the catching and movement of each flock and to be responsible for proper house preparation prior to chick placement and chicken catching and movement, such preparation to include adequately raising or moving of equipment.
- L. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes applicable to PRODUCER, the services provided hereunder, the chicks consigned and/or the property, buildings or equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement.
- M. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations, or codes applicable to PRODUCER'S environmental management, including, without limitation, nutrient management plans, operating permits, bird mortality, water quality and air quality.

#### **III.OTHER TERMS:**

- A. PRODUCER shall perform the services hereunder using PERDUE's established procedures and otherwise sound farming and growing practices in accordance with industry standards.
- B. PRODUCER shall not take any action or refrain from taking any action that is likely to endanger the chicks consigned or otherwise result in food safety issues or concerns for PERDUE. Specifically, PRODUCER shall not administer or otherwise provide any substance, including, without limitation, pesticides and rodenticides, to the flock unless pre-approved by PERDUE.

- C. PRODUCER is the owner of the land, buildings, equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement or that PRODUCER is in legal possession of said property and has the right and authority to use the same for the purposes of this Agreement.
- D. PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is or shall be located to inspect the flock or facilities. If PRODUCER is not satisfactorily performing PRODUCER'S obligation under the Agreement to care for, treat and maintain the flock, or this Agreement has been terminated in accordance with its terms, PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is located.
- E. If PERDUE enters upon the premises of the PRODUCER as permitted under D above, PERDUE may remove the flock, and/or undertake the maintenance, treatment, feeding, and care of the flock on the PRODUCER'S property, and/or do such other thing or things with reference to the flock as outlined by PERDUE'S established procedures. PRODUCER shall assume the costs for any necessary disbursements to accomplish such purposes. Title to each flock shall remain in PERDUE. PRODUCER shall not permit any lien, distraint, levy, or any other impairments to PERDUE'S title to the flock or flocks placed hereunder. PERDUE shall have the right to sell each flock consigned under this Agreement at any time without any liens, distraint proceedings, or charges whatsoever of creditors of PRODUCER.
- F. PRODUCER or a designee of PRODUCER shall have the right to be present at the weighing by PERDUE of any chicks raised by PRODUCER under this Agreement, be present at the weighing of feed delivered under this Agreement, and observe the weights and measures used by PERDUE to determine the compensation due to PRODUCER under this Agreement.

#### IV.PRODUCER'S INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

- A. PRODUCER'S obligations outlined in this Agreement are for purposes of providing service with respect to PERDUE'S poultry stock. Therefore, this is a service contract and not a contract of employment and PERDUE and PRODUCER are each independent contractors. Neither party, nor their agents or employees, shall be considered to be the employees of the other for any purpose whatsoever.
- B. PRODUCER is exclusively responsible for the performance of PRODUCER'S obligations under this Agreement. The employment, compensation, and supervision of any persons by PRODUCER in the performance of such obligations is a matter of PRODUCER'S sole discretion and responsibility. PRODUCER accepts full and exclusive liability for payment of any and all applicable taxes for workers' compensation insurance, unemployment compensation insurance, or old age benefits or annuities now or hereafter imposed by any governmental agency, as to PRODUCER and all persons as PRODUCER may engage in the performance of this Agreement. Said taxes shall be paid directly by PRODUCER and shall not be chargeable to PERDUE. PRODUCER agrees to hold PERDUE harmless from any liability with respect to any such taxes or other charges.

#### V. TERM; TERMINATION:

- A. For the convenience of not having to initiate a new Agreement after each flock, this Agreement shall continue until the Agreement is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER as provided herein.
- B. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason as of the date of movement of the flock then under PRODUCER'S care, provided that written notice be given to the other party not later than two (2) weeks prior to the movement of such flock.
- C. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by either party at any time by written notice to the other in event of any default by the other party. Any such termination shall not relieve the defaulting party of any liability to the other as a result of any default hereunder occurring prior to termination. In the event this contract is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER, all amounts owing to PERDUE or PRODUCER will be payable immediately, or shall be paid as otherwise described in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the amounts due PRODUCER hereunder shall be the amounts calculated pursuant to the other provisions of this Agreement reduced by any and all amounts paid or advanced by PERDUE, at any time, to or on behalf of PRODUCER, and further reduced by any amounts chargeable to PRODUCER hereunder or owing from PRODUCER to PERDUE. Adjustments necessary because of such payments, advance, or amounts shall be made when appropriate.
- D. Unless waived in writing by PRODUCER at the time of signing this Agreement, PRODUCER shall have a right to cancel this Agreement until 12:00 Midnight of the third business day after the day on which PRODUCER signs this Agreement or until chicks have been placed with PRODUCER, whichever occurs first. Notice of cancellation under this Section V.D. shall be given in writing by PRODUCER to PERDUE by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, which shall be posted before termination of the right to cancel under this Section V.D. to the following address:

#### VI. COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE:

- A. The procedures in this Section VI and Section VII below shall govern any and all complaints or disputes between PERDUE and PRODUCER arising out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, resulting from, or relating in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law and statutory claims. The Complaint Resolution Procedure is as follows:
  - Step 1: The PRODUCER shall first present his or her complaint to the local PERDUE Flock Supervisor within three (3) working days from the date of the alleged complaint or problem, or within three (3) working days from the date the PRODUCER becomes aware of an alleged compliant or problem, whichever occurs first. If the PERDUE Flock

Supervisor cannot immediately solve the problem, he or she will, in consultation with the Growout Manager and Live Production Manager, respond to PRODUCER'S complaint or problem within five (5) working days.

Step 2: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 1, the PRODUCER shall call the PERDUE Complex Manager within three (3) working days of the unsatisfactory response to discuss the problem, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes has been violated. Within three (3) working days of contacting the PERDUE Complex Manager, the PRODUCER shall confirm, in writing, his/her conversation with the Complex Manager, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes, has been violated. The PERDUE Complex Manager will respond in writing to PRODUCER'S complaint within five (5) working days upon actual receipt of the written complaint. If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in this Step 2, proceed to Step 3 or Section VII below, as applicable.

Step 3: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 2 and the dispute regards a settlement or a payment pursuant to a settlement, all complaints or problems regarding such settlement, payment pursuant to such settlement, and any documents utilized in support of the settlement, will be reviewed by a Peer Review Committee no later than ten (10) working days after the date of PERDUE'S response under Step 2. For all other complaints or disputes, proceed to Section VII. The Peer Review Committee shall consist of four (4) PERDUE producers who are situated in close geographical proximity to the aggrieved PRODUCER, and are not related to the aggrieved PRODUCER or otherwise interested in the finances under this Agreement. The Peer Review Committee members shall include two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by the aggrieved PRODUCER and two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by PERDUE. The Peer Review Committee shall make a non-binding written recommendation to PERDUE and the PRODUCER which will be distributed to PERDUE and the ... PRODUCER within three (3) working days of the meeting. PERDUE and the PRODUCER will have five (5) working days to either accept or reject the Committee's recommendation. In the event the Committee does not agree on a recommendation, PERDUE Management will have the discretion to resolve the issue, taking into consideration the interests of both parties. If either PERDUE or the PRODUCER reject the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, the matter shall be taken up as outlined in Section VII below. Neither PERDUE nor the PRODUCER are required to accept the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution. If PERDUE and the PRODUCER agree upon the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, such resolution of the complaint or dispute shall be reduced to writing and signed by PERDUE and the PRODUCER.

B. The purpose of the Complaint Resolution Procedure is to establish an effective mechanism for the fair and equitable resolution of complaints and disputes between the parties. Therefore, except in cases of undue hardship, PRODUCER agrees to participate as a Peer Review Committee member, as described in the Complaint Resolution Procedure, to resolve disputes regarding settlements or payments pursuant to settlements involving other PERDUE Producers situated in close proximity to PRODUCER.

#### VII. ARBITRATION:

- A. If the complaint or dispute has not been resolved pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section VI above, then the matter shall be exclusively submitted to bilateral arbitration between PERDUE and PRODUCER. In no event will the failure to utilize any or all of the Steps in Section VI above constitute a waiver of the mandatory arbitration procedures set forth in this Section VII. Multiparty arbitration may be utilized only with the express written consent of both parties. Arbitration pursuant to this Agreement shall be handled in the following manner:
  - 1. Arbitration shall be conducted by and under the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association.
  - One (1) arbitrator uninterested in the finances under this Agreement will be appointed to resolve complaints or disputes pursuant to this Section of the Agreement and in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association.
  - 3. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon both parties hereto.
- 4. The expenses of the arbitrator shall be shared equally by the parties. Each party shall make arrangements for, and pay the expenses of, witnesses who are called by them.
- B. It is agreed that the complaint and arbitration procedures outlined in Sections VI and VII of this Agreement shall be the final means of resolving all complaints and disputes by and between PRODUCER and PERDUE (irrespective of whether the complaint or dispute arises out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, results from, or relates in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law and statutory claims), and any disagreement between PERDUE and PRODUCER over the scope of these Sections shall be resolved in favor of Complaint Resolution Procedure and/or arbitration, as the case may be.

#### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS TERMS:

- A. Unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement, PERDUE and PRODUCER shall not be held responsible for damages to the other caused by delay or failure to perform hereunder when such delay or failure is due to fires, strikes, acts of God, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults due to labor, feed, or fuel shortages, which are due to a natural disaster (including, but not limited to, fire, flood, windstorm, or hailstorm) which cannot be reasonable forecasted or protected against.
- B. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall for any reason and to any extent, be found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but rather shall be enforced to the maximum extend permissible under applicable law, so long as and to the extent that such enforceability does not materially adversely affect the mutual rights and obligations to the parties hereunder.

C. This written Agreement and the then current Producer Payment Schedule constitute the entire agreement between PERDUE and PRODUCER, and no representations or statements made by either party or their agents not contained herein shall be in any way binding on either party. This Agreement shall be freely assignable by PERDUE, and shall be assignable by PRODUCER only with PERDUE's prior written consent.

This Agreement shall be binding upon the respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of PERDUE and PRODUCER. By executing this Agreement PRODUCER represents and warrants that he, she or it has been afforded the opportunity to have the Agreement reviewed outside the business premises of PERDUE or PERDUE'S agents by an attorney or adviser of PRODUCER'S choosing for at least three business days prior to such execution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals to this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

	PERDUE FARMS INCORPORATED
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a Maryland corporation, of Salisbury, Maryland, hereafter referred to as PERDUE, and Roger D. Parkers Poultry	of
283 Gurdon Rd. Hillsboro, Ga. 31038  Decreafter referred to as PRODUCER	

In consideration of the mutual promises of PERDUE and PRODUCER, it is agreed as follows:

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133 Industrial Park Court	
Forsyth, GA 31029	

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Supervisor cannot immediately solve the problem, he or she will, in consultation with the Growout Manager and Live Production Manager, respond to PRODUCER'S complaint or problem within five (5) working days.

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#### VII. ARBITRATION:

- A. If the complaint or dispute has not been resolved pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section VI above, then the matter shall be exclusively submitted to bilateral arbitration between PERDUE and PRODUCER. In no event will the failure to utilize any or all of the Steps in Section VI above constitute a waiver of the mandatory arbitration procedures set forth in this Section VII. Multiparty arbitration may be utilized only with the express written consent of both parties. Arbitration pursuant to this Agreement shall be handled in the following manner:
  - 1. Arbitration shall be conducted by and under the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association.
  - One (1) arbitrator uninterested in the finances under this Agreement will be appointed to resolve complaints or disputes pursuant to this Section of the Agreement and in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association.
  - 3. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon both parties hereto.
  - 4. The expenses of the arbitrator shall be shared equally by the parties. Each party shall make arrangements for, and pay the expenses of, witnesses who are called by them.
- B. It is agreed that the complaint and arbitration procedures outlined in Sections VI and VII of this Agreement shall be the final means of resolving all complaints and disputes by and between PRODUCER and PERDUE (irrespective of whether the complaint or dispute arises out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, results from, or relates in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law and statutory claims), and any disagreement between PERDUE and PRODUCER over the scope of these Sections shall be resolved in favor of Complaint Resolution Procedure and/or arbitration, as the case may be.

#### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS TERMS:

- A. Unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement, PERDUE and PRODUCER shall not be held responsible for damages to the other caused by delay or failure to perform hereunder when such delay or failure is due to fires, strikes, acts of God, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults due to labor, feed, or fuel shortages, which are due to a natural disaster (including, but not limited to, fire, flood, windstorm, or hailstorm) which cannot be reasonable forecasted or protected against.
- B. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall for any reason and to any extent, be found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but rather shall be enforced to the maximum extend permissible under applicable law, so long as and to the extent that such enforceability does not materially adversely affect the mutual rights and obligations to the parties hereunder.

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C. This written Agreement and the then current Producer Payment Schedule constitute the entire agreement between PERDUE and PRODUCER, and no representations or statements made by either party or their agents not contained herein shall be in any way binding on either party. This Agreement shall be freely assignable by PERDUE, and shall be assignable by PRODUCER only with PERDUE's prior written consent.

This Agreement shall be binding upon the respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of PERDUE and PRODUCER. By executing this Agreement PRODUCER represents and warrants that he, she or it has been afforded the opportunity to have the Agreement reviewed outside the business premises of PERDUE or PERDUE'S agents by an attorney or adviser of PRODUCER'S choosing for at least three business days prior to such execution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals to this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

V	PERDUE FARMS INCORPORATED
WITNESS:	James A. Perdue Chairman  (Seal)
Kerth D. Smel	Producer (Husband) (Seal)
Keith S. Smel	Smra B Parker (Seal) Producer (Wife)
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WITNESS:	Producer (Husband)
	Producer (Wife)

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Rna	a Mar	yland corp	oration, o	f Salisbury	, Marylan	d, here	after referred t	g as PERDUE, a	and of
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In consideration of the mutual promises of PERDUE and PRODUCER, it is agreed as follows:

#### I. PERDUE AGREES:

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- C. To provide PRODUCER with an accounting of chicks consigned and supplies provided under the terms of this Agreement.
- D. To compensate PRODUCER for services provided herein as provided for in the attached "PRODUCER PAYMENT SCHEDULE."
- E. To provide to PRODUCER upon request thereby statistical information and data regarding PRODUCER and used by PERDUE to determine compensation paid to PRODUCER by PERDUE under this Agreement, other than information that is or relates to a trade secret.

#### II. PRODUCER AGREES:

- A. To accept the chicks when consigned and to raise the chicks until removed at PERDUE's direction from the PRODUCER'S farm.
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- E. To provide for prompt and proper disposal of all dead and cull poultry resulting from normal mortalities and/or catastrophic loss in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state, and local regulations and codes.
- F. To keep records of mortality and other information for the efficient and proper care of the chicks consigned hereby.
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	PERDUE FARMS INCORPORATED
WITNESS: WITNESS: WITNESS:	By James A. Perdue Chairman  (Seal Producer (Husband)  (Seal Producer (Wife)
22. 2. 2. 2.	WAIVER
PRODUCER HEREBY IRREVO CANCEL THIS AGREEMENT AS SPI ABOVE. WITNESS:	CABLY WAIVES HIS, HERS OR ITS RIGHT TO ECIFICALLY PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION V.D
WITNESS:	Producer (Husband)
	Producer (Wife)

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This AGREEMENT, made 08-18-09, between PERDUE FARMS INCORPORATION	ED
a Maryland corporation, of Salisbury, Maryland, hereafter referred to as PERDUE, and	
Koger D. E Linda G. Parker the Hazel Lee Farm	of
288 Gordon Rd Hillsboro GA 31038	OI
hereafter referred to as PRODUCER	_

In consideration of the mutual promises of PERDUE and PRODUCER, it is agreed as follows:

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- B. To feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the chicks consigned and to provide the necessary housing, equipment, supplies to maintain equipment and housing, utilities and labor and to maintain such housing and equipment in a state of good repair and operable condition.
- C. To use only the feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which PERDUE has provided, or has arranged to be provided, to PRODUCER for the raising of the chicks consigned.
- D. To provide curtain minders and an alarm system to monitor electrical power failure and abnormal temperature levels within the poultry house(s) and to maintain the curtain minders and system in operable condition at all times.

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- E. To provide for prompt and proper disposal of all dead and cull poultry resulting from normal mortalities and/or catastrophic loss in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state, and local regulations and codes.
- F. To keep records of mortality and other information for the efficient and proper care of the chicks consigned hereby.
- G. To keep no other fowl, wild birds, exotic or domestic pet birds, caged or free running, on the premises and to rid the farm of all birds left on the farm on the same day of the final movement of birds.
- H. To notify PERDUE Flock Supervisor immediately (within 24 hours) if any chicks, for any reason, do not develop normally, or if there is any disease or parasitism noticeable within the flock, or if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock.
- To sell or use any part of a flock only after a written agreement is reached between PERDUE and PRODUCER regarding any such sale.
- J. To provide properly maintained roads free of surface or overhead obstructions from the nearest county or state maintained road to and around PRODUCER'S poultry house(s) and to assume responsibility for all costs incurred if roads are not maintained properly or free of obstructions.
- K. To be present or represented when chicks are delivered and during the catching and movement of each flock and to be responsible for proper house preparation prior to chick placement and chicken catching and movement, such preparation to include adequately raising or moving of equipment.
- L. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes applicable to PRODUCER, the services provided hereunder, the chicks consigned and/or the property, buildings or equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement.
- M. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations, or codes applicable to PRODUCER'S environmental management, including, without limitation, nutrient management plans, operating permits, bird mortality, water quality and air quality.

#### III. OTHER TERMS:

- A. PRODUCER shall perform the services hereunder using PERDUE's established procedures and otherwise sound farming and growing practices in accordance with industry standards.
- B. PRODUCER shall not take any action or refrain from taking any action that is likely to endanger the chicks consigned or otherwise result in food safety issues or concerns for PERDUE. Specifically, PRODUCER shall not administer or otherwise provide any substance, including, without limitation, pesticides and rodenticides, to the flock unless pre-approved by PERDUE.

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- C. PRODUCER is the owner of the land, buildings, equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement or that PRODUCER is in legal possession of said property and has the right and authority to use the same for the purposes of this Agreement.
- D. PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is or shall be located to inspect the flock or facilities. If PRODUCER is not satisfactorily performing PRODUCER'S obligation under the Agreement to care for, treat and maintain the flock, or this Agreement has been terminated in accordance with its terms, PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is located.
- E. If PERDUE enters upon the premises of the PRODUCER as permitted under D above, PERDUE may remove the flock, and/or undertake the maintenance, treatment, feeding, and care of the flock on the PRODUCER'S property, and/or do such other thing or things with reference to the flock as outlined by PERDUE'S established procedures. PRODUCER shall assume the costs for any necessary disbursements to accomplish such purposes. Title to each flock shall remain in PERDUE. PRODUCER shall not permit any lien, distraint, levy, or any other impairments to PERDUE'S title to the flock or flocks placed hereunder. PERDUE shall have the right to sell each flock consigned under this Agreement at any time without any liens, distraint proceedings, or charges whatsoever of creditors of PRODUCER.
- F. PRODUCER or a designee of PRODUCER shall have the right to be present at the weighing by PERDUE of any chicks raised by PRODUCER under this Agreement, be present at the weighing of feed delivered under this Agreement, and observe the weights and measures used by PERDUE to determine the compensation due to PRODUCER under this Agreement.

## IV. PRODUCER'S INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

- A. PRODUCER'S obligations outlined in this Agreement are for purposes of providing service with respect to PERDUE'S poultry stock. Therefore, this is a service contract and not a contract of employment and PERDUE and PRODUCER are each independent contractors. Neither party, nor their agents or employees, shall be considered to be the employees of the other for any purpose whatsoever.
- B. PRODUCER is exclusively responsible for the performance of PRODUCER'S obligations under this Agreement. The employment, compensation, and supervision of any persons by PRODUCER in the performance of such obligations is a matter of PRODUCER'S sole discretion and responsibility. PRODUCER accepts full and exclusive liability for payment of any and all applicable taxes for workers' compensation insurance, unemployment compensation insurance, or old age benefits or annuities now or hereafter imposed by any governmental agency, as to PRODUCER and all persons as PRODUCER may engage in the performance of this Agreement. Said taxes shall be paid directly by PRODUCER and shall not be chargeable to PERDUE. PRODUCER agrees to hold PERDUE harmless from any liability with respect to any such taxes or other charges.

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#### V. TERM: TERMINATION:

- A. For the convenience of not having to initiate a new Agreement after each flock, this Agreement shall continue until the Agreement is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER as provided herein.
- B. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason as of the date of movement of the flock then under PRODUCER'S care, provided that written notice be given to the other party not later than two (2) weeks prior to the movement of such flock.
- C. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by either party at any time by written notice to the other in event of any default by the other party. Any such termination shall not relieve the defaulting party of any liability to the other as a result of any default hereunder occurring prior to termination. In the event this contract is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER, all amounts owing to PERDUE or PRODUCER will be payable immediately, or shall be paid as otherwise described in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the amounts due PRODUCER hereunder shall be the amounts calculated pursuant to the other provisions of this Agreement reduced by any and all amounts paid or advanced by PERDUE, at any time, to or on behalf of PRODUCER, and further reduced by any amounts chargeable to PRODUCER hereunder or owing from PRODUCER to PERDUE. Adjustments necessary because of such payments, advance, or amounts shall be made when appropriate.
- D. Unless waived in writing by PRODUCER at the time of signing this Agreement, PRODUCER shall have a right to cancel this Agreement until 12:00 Midnight of the third business day after the day on which PRODUCER signs this Agreement or until chicks have been placed with PRODUCER, whichever occurs first. Notice of cancellation under this Section V.D. shall be given in writing by PRODUCER to PERDUE by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, which shall be posted before termination of the right to cancel under this Section V.D. to the following address:

Perdue Farms, Inc.	
133 Industrial Park Court	
Forsyth, GA 31029	

## VI. COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE:

A. The procedures in this Section VI and Section VII below shall govern any and all complaints or disputes between PERDUE and PRODUCER arising out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, resulting from, or relating in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law and statutory claims. The Complaint Resolution Procedure is as follows:

Step 1: The PRODUCER shall first present his or her complaint to the local PERDUE Flock Supervisor within three (3) working days from the date of the alleged complaint or problem, or within three (3) working days from the date the PRODUCER becomes aware of an alleged compliant or problem, whichever occurs first. If the PERDUE Flock

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Supervisor cannot immediately solve the problem, he or she will, in consultation with the Growout Manager and Live Production Manager, respond to PRODUCER'S complaint or problem within five (5) working days.

If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 1, the PRODUCER shall call the PERDUE Complex Manager within three (3) working days of the unsatisfactory response to discuss the problem, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes has been violated. Within three (3) working days of contacting the PERDUE Complex Manager, the PRODUCER shall confirm, in writing, his/her conversation with the Complex Manager, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes, has been violated. The PERDUE Complex Manager will respond in writing to PRODUCER'S complaint within five (5) working days upon actual receipt of the written complaint. If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in this Step 2, proceed to Step 3 or Section VII below, as applicable.

Step 3: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 2 and the dispute regards a settlement or a payment pursuant to a settlement, all complaints or problems regarding such settlement, payment pursuant to such settlement, and any documents utilized in support of the settlement, will be reviewed by a Peer Review Committee no later than ten (10) working days after the date of PERDUE'S response under Step 2. For all other complaints or disputes, proceed to Section VII. The Peer Review Committee shall consist of four (4) PERDUE producers who are situated in close geographical proximity to the aggrieved PRODUCER, and are not related to the aggrieved PRODUCER or otherwise interested in the finances under this Agreement. The Peer Review Committee members shall include two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by the aggrieved PRODUCER and two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by PERDUE. The Peer Review Committee shall make a non-binding written recommendation to PERDUE and the PRODUCER which will be distributed to PERDUE and the PRODUCER within three (3) working days of the meeting. PERDUE and the PRODUCER will have five (5) working days to either accept or reject the Committee's recommendation. In the event the Committee does not agree on a recommendation, PERDUE Management will have the discretion to resolve the issue, taking into consideration the interests of both parties. If either PERDUE or the PRODUCER reject the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, the matter shall be taken up as outlined in Section VII below. Neither PERDUE nor the PRODUCER are required to accept the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution. If PERDUE and the PRODUCER agree upon the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, such resolution of the complaint or dispute shall be reduced to writing and signed by PERDUE and the PRODUCER.

B. The purpose of the Complaint Resolution Procedure is to establish an effective mechanism for the fair and equitable resolution of complaints and disputes between the parties. Therefore, except in cases of undue hardship, PRODUCER agrees to participate as a Peer Review Committee member, as described in the Complaint Resolution Procedure, to resolve disputes regarding settlements or payments pursuant to settlements involving other PERDUE Producers situated in close proximity to PRODUCER.

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#### VII. ARBITRATION:

- A. If the complaint or dispute has not been resolved pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section VI above, then the matter shall be exclusively submitted to bilateral arbitration between PERDUE and PRODUCER. In no event will the failure to utilize any or all of the Steps in Section VI above constitute a waiver of the mandatory arbitration procedures set forth in this Section VII. Multiparty arbitration may be utilized only with the express written consent of both parties. Arbitration pursuant to this Agreement shall be handled in the following manner:
  - 1. Arbitration shall be conducted by and under the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association.
  - One (1) arbitrator uninterested in the finances under this Agreement will be appointed to resolve complaints or disputes pursuant to this Section of the Agreement and in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association.
  - 3. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon both parties hereto.
  - 4. The expenses of the arbitrator shall be shared equally by the parties. Each party shall make arrangements for, and pay the expenses of, witnesses who are called by them.
- B. It is agreed that the complaint and arbitration procedures outlined in Sections VI and VII of this Agreement shall be the final means of resolving all complaints and disputes by and between PRODUCER and PERDUE (irrespective of whether the complaint or dispute arises out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, results from, or relates in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law and statutory claims), and any disagreement between PERDUE and PRODUCER over the scope of these Sections shall be resolved in favor of Complaint Resolution Procedure and/or arbitration, as the case may be.

#### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS TERMS:

- A. Unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement, PERDUE and PRODUCER shall not be held responsible for damages to the other caused by delay or failure to perform hereunder when such delay or failure is due to fires, strikes, acts of God, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults due to labor, feed, or fuel shortages, which are due to a natural disaster (including, but not limited to, fire, flood, windstorm, or hailstorm) which cannot be reasonable forecasted or protected against.
- B. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall for any reason and to any extent, be found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but rather shall be enforced to the maximum extend permissible under applicable law, so long as and to the extent that such enforceability does not materially adversely affect the mutual rights and obligations to the parties hereunder.

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C. This written Agreement and the then current Producer Payment Schedule constitute the entire agreement between PERDUE and PRODUCER, and no representations or statements made by either party or their agents not contained herein shall be in any way binding on either party. This Agreement shall be freely assignable by PERDUE, and shall be assignable by PRODUCER only with PERDUE's prior written consent.

This Agreement shall be binding upon the respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of PERDUE and PRODUCER. By executing this Agreement PRODUCER represents and warrants that he, she or it has been afforded the opportunity to have the Agreement reviewed outside the business premises of PERDUE or PERDUE'S agents by an attorney or adviser of PRODUCER'S choosing for at least three business days prior to such execution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals to this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

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# POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT, made December 29, 2014	_, between PERDUE FOODS LLC, a Maryland
limited liability company, of Salisbury, Maryl	and, hereafter referred to as PERDUE, and
Roger D. Parker & Linda G. Parker dba Parker's Poultry	of
897 Hwy 24 E Milledgeville GA 31061	, hereafter referred to as PRODUCER
In consideration of the mutual promises of PE.	RDUE and PRODUCER, it is agreed as follows:

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT PRODUCER AGREES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT, AND TO MAINTAIN SUCH HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT IN A STATE OF GOOD REPAIR AND OPERABLE CONDITION, TO COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS, AND CODES, AND TO PERFORM ITS SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PERDUE PROCEDURES AND SOUND FARMING AND GROWING PRACTICES.

ADDITIONAL CAPITAL INVESTMENTS. ADDITIONAL LARGE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS MAY BE REQUIRED OF PRODUCER DURING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT.

## I. PERDUE AGREES:

- A. To consign available birds to PRODUCER to be raised for PERDUE.
- B. To provide and deliver to PRODUCER, or arrange to have provided and delivered to PRODUCER, feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which are necessary for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- C. To provide PRODUCER with an accounting of birds consigned and supplies provided under the terms of this Agreement.
- D. To compensate PRODUCER for services provided herein as provided for in the attached "PRODUCER PAYMENT SCHEDULE," set forth in **Attachment A**.
- E. To provide to PRODUCER upon request thereby statistical information and data regarding PRODUCER and used by PERDUE to determine compensation paid to PRODUCER by PERDUE under this Agreement, other than information that is or relates to a trade secret.

## II. PRODUCER AGREES:

- A. To accept the birds when consigned and to raise the birds until removed at PERDUE's direction from the PRODUCER's farm.
- B. To feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the birds consigned, to provide the necessary housing, utilities, equipment, labor and supplies and to maintain such housing and equipment in a state of good repair and operable condition.

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- C. To use only the feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which PERDUE has provided, or has arranged to be provided, to PRODUCER for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- D. To provide an alarm system to monitor electrical power failure and abnormal temperature levels within the poultry house(s) and to maintain the alarm system in operable condition at all times.
- E. To provide for prompt and proper disposal of all dead and cull poultry resulting from normal mortalities and/or catastrophic loss in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state, and local laws, regulations and codes.
- F. To properly handle all used poultry litter in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state and local laws, regulations and codes.
- G. To keep all records and other information required for the efficient and proper care of the birds consigned hereby including, but not limited to, records of mortality, water readings, generator logs and other audit requirements.
- H. To allow or maintain no other poultry, fowl, wild birds, exotic or domestic pet birds, caged or free running, on the premises and to rid the farm of all birds left on the farm on the same day of the final movement of birds. Furthermore, PRODUCER and PRODUCER's employees will not maintain, own or care for any other flocks, birds or poultry on any other premises unless approved by PERDUE.
- I. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor immediately (within 24 hours) if any birds, for any reason, do not develop normally, or if there is any disease or parasitism noticeable within the flock, or if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock.
- J. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor within 48 hours of any damage to PRODUCER's poultry houses or poultry house equipment caused by PERDUE.
- K. To sell or use any part of a flock only after a written agreement is reached between PERDUE and PRODUCER regarding any such sale.
- L. To provide properly maintained roads free of surface or overhead obstructions from the nearest county or state maintained road to and around PRODUCER'S poultry house(s) and to assume responsibility for all costs incurred if roads are not maintained properly or free of obstructions.
- M. To be present or represented when birds are delivered and during the catching and movement of each flock and to be responsible for proper house preparation prior to chick placement and chicken catching and movement, such preparation to include adequately raising or moving of equipment.



- N. To comply with any bio-security policies, audits, measures or guidelines required by PERDUE.
- O. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes applicable to PRODUCER, the services provided hereunder, the birds consigned and/or the property, buildings or equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement.
- P. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations, or codes applicable to PRODUCER'S environmental management, including, without limitation, nutrient management plans, operating permits, bird mortality, water quality and air quality.
- Q. To adhere to the instructions provided by PERDUE regarding feed and water withdrawal times prior to the catching of the flock.
- R. To provide care for the health and welfare of the flock in accordance with and adhere to the PERDUE Poultry Welfare Program.

#### III. **OTHER TERMS**

- A. PRODUCER shall perform the services hereunder using the skill, knowledge and discretion which PRODUCER possesses, informed by PERDUE's established procedures and otherwise sound farming and growing practices in accordance with industry standards.
- B. PRODUCER shall not take any action or refrain from taking any action that is likely to endanger the health and welfare of the birds consigned or otherwise result in food safety issues or concerns for PERDUE. Specifically, PRODUCER shall not administer or allow to be administered any substance to the flock, including, without limitation, use of any medication, vitamins, minerals, vaccines, disinfectant, insecticide, pesticide, rodenticide, fungicide, herbicide or other chemicals in or around the poultry houses unless authorized and instructed to do so in writing by PERDUE. If PERDUE incurs any loss, cost, expense or damage arising out of or related to PRODUCER's violation of this section, including, but not limited to expense of destroying live birds and the expense of recalling processed poultry meat PRODUCER will reimburse PERDUE for such loss, cost , expense or damage. Such damages may be offset against any payment due to PRODUCER by PERDUE.
- C. PRODUCER is the owner of the land, buildings, equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement or that PRODUCER is in legal possession of said property and has the right and authority to use the same for the purposes of this Agreement.
- D. PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is or shall be located to inspect the flock or facilities. If PRODUCER is not satisfactorily performing PRODUCER'S obligation under the Agreement to care for, treat and maintain the flock,

- E. If PERDUE enters upon the premises of the PRODUCER as permitted under D above, PERDUE may remove the flock, and/or undertake the maintenance, treatment, feeding, and care of the flock on the PRODUCER'S property, and/or do such other thing or things with reference to assuring the proper health and welfare of the flock as outlined by PERDUE'S established procedures. PRODUCER shall assume the costs for any necessary disbursements to accomplish such purposes.
- F. Title to each flock shall remain in PERDUE. PRODUCER shall not permit any lien, distraint, levy, or any other impairments to PERDUE'S title to the flock or flocks placed hereunder. PERDUE shall have the right to sell each flock consigned under this Agreement at any time without any liens, distraint proceedings, or charges whatsoever of creditors of PRODUCER.
- G. PRODUCER or a designee of PRODUCER shall have the right to be present at the weighing by PERDUE-of any birds raised by PRODUCER under this Agreement, be present at the weighing of feed delivered under this Agreement, and observe the weights and measures used by PERDUE to determine the compensation due to PRODUCER under this Agreement.
- H. PERDUE has a performance improvement program ("PIP") and PRODUCER is subject to the PIP as provided herein. The terms and the performance improvement guidelines of the PIP, including, without limitation, factors considered when placing PRODUCER in the PIP, factors considered in determining if and when the PRODUCER is removed from the PIP (and placed back in good standing), and when the Agreement will be terminated as a result of the PIP, are set forth in **Attachment B**.
- PRODUCER understands and agrees that PERDUE will determine, in its sole and absolute discretion:
  - a. the breed of chickens PRODUCER will receive;
  - b. the number and density of chickens in each flock delivered to PRODUCER's farm:
  - c. the size, weight and age of the chicken to be produced;
  - d. the time for processing of each flock; and
  - e. the date, time and estimated interval of placement for future flocks.
- J. PRODUCER understands and agrees that taking photographs, images, audio and/or video recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives is strictly prohibited.



Furthermore, the transmission or posting of images/recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives via the internet including, but not limited to, email, picture or video messaging and/or use of social networking or photo sharing websites is strictly prohibited.

K. PRODUCER acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement will be retained by PERDUE in electronic file format only.

## IV. PRODUCER'S INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

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- B. PRODUCER is exclusively responsible for the performance of PRODUCER'S obligations under this Agreement. The employment, compensation, and supervision of any persons by PRODUCER in the performance of such obligations is a matter of PRODUCER'S sole discretion and responsibility. PRODUCER accepts full and exclusive liability for payment of any and all applicable taxes for workers' compensation insurance, unemployment compensation insurance, or old age benefits or annuities now or hereafter imposed by any governmental agency, as to PRODUCER and all persons as PRODUCER may engage in the performance of this Agreement. Said taxes shall be paid directly by PRODUCER and shall not be chargeable to PERDUE. PRODUCER agrees to hold PERDUE harmless from any liability with respect to any such taxes or other charges.

# V. TERM; TERMINATION

- A. For the convenience of not having to initiate a new Agreement after each flock, this Agreement shall continue until the Agreement is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER as provided herein.
- B. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason, including default, provided that at least ninety (90) days prior written notice be given to the other party. The parties further agree that once written notice of termination is provided, PERDUE shall not be required to deliver chicks to PRODUCER'S farm during the 90-day time period once a flock is removed from PRODUCER'S farm.
- C. Any termination as a result of a default by a party shall not relieve the defaulting party of any liability to the other as a result of any default hereunder occurring prior to termination. In the event this contract is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER, all amounts owing to PERDUE or PRODUCER will be payable immediately, or shall be paid as otherwise described in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of

this Agreement, the amounts due PRODUCER hereunder shall be the amounts calculated pursuant to the other provisions of this Agreement reduced by any and all amounts paid or advanced by PERDUE, at any time, to or on behalf of PRODUCER, and further reduced by any amounts chargeable to PRODUCER hereunder or owing from PRODUCER to PERDUE. Adjustments necessary because of such payments, advance, or amounts shall be made when appropriate.

- D. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by PERDUE at any time upon written notice to PRODUCER for any of the following reasons:
  - a. PRODUCER abandons a flock or neglects to provide feed, water, proper house management or care, which abandonment, neglect or failure to provide care threatens the health and welfare or existence of a flock;
  - b. Death of PRODUCER:
  - c. PRODUCER uses abusive or threatening language to any PERDUE representative or threatens or causes physical harm to any PERDUE representative, or in any other way impedes or interferes with PERDUE representatives in the performance of their duties;
  - d. PRODUCER fails to comply with applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes:
  - e. PRODUCER terminates its business as a producer for PERDUE;
  - f. PRODUCER transfers an ownership interest in its business without PERDUE's consent, has disposed of or attempted to dispose of a flock or attempts to encumber or mortgage a flock;
  - g. PRODUCER uses any feed, medications, vaccinations or other supplies other than those provided by PERDUE in violation of Sections II(C) and/or III(B);
  - h. PRODUCER becomes insolvent or has filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy or an involuntary bankruptcy has been filed against PRODUCER, which petition has not been promptly discharged;
  - i. PRODUCER makes any public statements or comments regarding PERDUE or its brands that are false, defamatory or disparaging in nature;
  - j. PRODUCER's farm has been without chickens for more than one hundred eighty (180) days;
  - k. PRODUCER takes photographs, images, audio and/or video recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives and/or transmits or posts



images/recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives via the internet including, but not limited to email, picture or video messaging, social networking or photo sharing websites in violation of Section III(I);

- 1. PRODUCER fails to comply with the PERDUE Poultry Welfare Program;
- m. Economic necessity for either or both parties ("Economic necessity" includes, but is not limited to, threat of economic and/or financial harm, impending bankruptcy, bankruptcy, and/or disease outbreaks);
- n. PRODUCER allowing or maintaining poultry, fowl, wild birds, and/or exotic birds on the farm other than PERDUE's poultry; or
- o. PRODUCER creating and/or contributing to a threatened and/or actual biosecurity hazard.
- E. PRODUCER shall have a right to cancel this Agreement until 12:00 Midnight of the third business day after the day on which PRODUCER signs this Agreement. Notice of cancellation under this Section V.E. shall be given in writing by PRODUCER to PERDUE by certified mail, return receipt requested, which shall be posted before termination of the right to cancel under this Section V.E. to the following address:

Perdue Foods LLC Attn: Live Production / Grow-out Management PO Box 1537 Salisbury, MD 21802-1537

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  - The PRODUCER shall first present his or her complaint to the local PERDUE Flock Advisor within three (3) working days from the date of the alleged complaint or problem, or within three (3) working days from the date the PRODUCER becomes aware of an alleged compliant or problem, whichever occurs first. If the PERDUE Flock Advisor cannot immediately solve the problem, he or she will, in consultation with the Growout Manager and Live Production Manager, respond to PRODUCER'S complaint or problem within five (5) working days.

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Step 2: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 1, the PRODUCER shall call the PERDUE Director of Live Operations within three (3) working days of the unsatisfactory response to discuss the problem, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes has been violated. Within three (3) working days of contacting the PERDUE Director of Live Operations, the PRODUCER shall confirm, in writing, his/her conversation with the Director of Live Operations, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes, has been violated. The PERDUE Director of Live Operations will respond in writing to PRODUCER'S complaint within five (5) working days upon actual receipt of the written complaint. If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in this Step 2, proceed to Step 3 or Section VII below, as applicable.

If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed Step 3: in Step 2 and the dispute regards a settlement or a payment pursuant to a settlement, all complaints or problems regarding such settlement, payment pursuant to such settlement, and any documents utilized in support of the settlement, will be reviewed by a Peer Review Committee no later than ten (10) working days after the date of PERDUE'S response under Step 2. For all other complaints or disputes, proceed to Section VII. The Peer Review Committee shall consist of four (4) PERDUE producers who are situated in close geographical proximity to the aggrieved PRODUCER, and are not related to the aggrieved PRODUCER or otherwise interested in the finances under this Agreement. The Peer Review Committee members shall include two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by the aggrieved PRODUCER and two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by PERDUE. The Peer Review Committee shall make a non-binding written recommendation to PERDUE and the PRODUCER which will be distributed to PERDUE and the PRODUCER within three (3) working days of the meeting. PERDUE and the PRODUCER will have five (5) working days to either accept or reject the Committee's recommendation. In the event the Committee does not agree on a recommendation, PERDUE Management will have the discretion to resolve the issue, taking into consideration the interests of both parties. If either PERDUE or the PRODUCER reject the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, the matter shall be taken up as outlined in Section VII below. Neither PERDUE nor the PRODUCER are required to accept the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution. If PERDUE and the PRODUCER agree upon the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, such resolution of the complaint or dispute shall be reduced to writing and signed by PERDUE and the PRODUCER.

B. The purpose of the Complaint Resolution Procedure is to establish an effective mechanism for the fair and equitable resolution of complaints and disputes between the parties. Therefore, except in cases of undue hardship, PRODUCER agrees to participate as a Peer Review Committee member, as described in the Complaint Resolution Procedure, to resolve disputes regarding settlements or payments pursuant to settlements involving other PERDUE Producers situated in close proximity to PRODUCER.



## VII. ARBITRATION:

- A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREIN, IF THE COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTION VI ABOVE THEN THE MATTER SHALL BE EXCLUSIVELY SUBMITTED TO ARBITRATION BETWEEN PERDUE AND PRODUCER. IN NO EVENT WILL THE FAILURE TO UTILIZE ANY OR ALL OF THE STEPS IN SECTION VI ABOVE CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE MANDATORY ARBITRATION PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION VII. ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE HANDLED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:
  - 1. THE COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO BINDING ARBITRATION CONDUCTED BY A SINGLE ARBITRATOR TO BE SELECTED BY THE PARTIES. IF THE PARTIES CANNOT AGREE ON A SINGLE ARBITRATOR, THEN THE SINGLE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE SELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: (I) THE ARBITRATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED BY THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION ("AAA"); (II) A SINGLE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE SELECTED FROM A LIST OF AT LEAST 7 INDIVIDUALS PROVIDED BY THE AAA; (III) THE PARTY DEMANDING ARBITRATION SHALL MAKE THE FIRST, THIRD AND FIFTH STRIKES FROM THE LIST; (IV) THE SECOND PARTY SHALL MAKE THE SECOND, FOURTH AND SIXTH STRIKES; AND (V) THE REMAINING INDIVIDUAL FROM THE ORIGINAL LIST OF SEVEN SHALL BE THE ARBITRATOR.
  - 2. BECAUSE THE CONTRACT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS HERETO AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PRODUCER AND PERDUE EVIDENCE A TRANSACTION INVOLVING INTERSTATE COMMERCE, PRODUCER AND PERDUE AGREE THAT THESE ARBITRATION PROVISIONS SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND BE ENFORCEABLE UNDER THE FEDERAL ARBITRATION ACT.
  - 3. EITHER PARTY (PERDUE OR PRODUCER) SHALL DEMAND ARBITRATION IN WRITING WITHIN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) DAYS AFTER THE ALLEGED COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE WAS KNOWN OR REASONABLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN KNOWN BY SERVING A COPY OF THE WRITTEN DEMAND TO THE OTHER PARTY. IF THE PERDUE DEMANDS ARBITRATION, THE WRITTEN DEMAND SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE PRODUCER. IF THE PRODUCER DEMANDS ARBITRATION, THE WRITTEN DEMAND SHALL BE PROVIDED TO PERDUE BY MAIL TO HERBERT D. FRERICHS, JR., GENERAL COUNSEL, 31149 OLD OCEAN CITY ROAD, SALISBURY, MD 21804. PERDUE AGREES TO PAY (OR REIMBURSE PRODUCER) THE AAA'S INITIAL FILING FEE

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- ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER PARTY FILING AN ARBITRATION DEMAND.
- 4. THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREE THAT THE ARBITRATOR SELECTED SHALL BE A NEUTRAL AND IMPARTIAL ARBITRATOR.
- 5. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE A PERSON HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF OR EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO THE POULTRY INDUSTRY.
- 6. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED ABOVE, EACH PARTY SHALL BEAR ITS OWN ARBITRATION COSTS AND EXPENSES, AND THE COSTS AND EXPENSES OF THE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE SHARED JOINTLY AND EQUALLY BETWEEN THE PARTIES.
- 7. THE ARBITRATION HEARING SHALL BE HELD WITHIN THE SPECIFIED VENUE OR AN AGREED-TO LOCATION. AT LEAST TWENTY (20) DAYS ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE HEARING DATE, TIME AND LOCATION SHALL BE PROVIDED TO BOTH PARTIES.
- 8. DISCOVERY SHALL BE PERMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ARBITRATION ONLY TO THE EXTENT, IF ANY, EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE ARBITRATOR UPON A SHOWING OF SUBSTANTIAL NEED BY THE PARTY SEEKING DISCOVERY.
- 9. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HAVE NO POWER TO AWARD NON-MONETARY OR EQUITABLE RELIEF OF ANY SORT. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL ALSO HAVE NO POWER TO AWARD (A) DAMAGES INCONSISTENT WITH ANY APPLICABLE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES OR (B) PUNITIVE DAMAGES OR ANY OTHER DAMAGES NOT MEASURED BY THE PREVAILING PARTY'S ACTUAL DAMAGES, AND THE PARTIES EXPRESSLY WAIVE THEIR RIGHT TO OBTAIN SUCH DAMAGES IN ARBITRATION OR IN ANY OTHER FORUM.
- 10. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HEAR THE EVIDENCE AND TESTIMONY OFFERED BY THE PARTIES, AND THE ARBITRATION HEARING SHALL BE CONCLUDED WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS FROM ITS STARTING DATE UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE ARBITRATOR. THE ARBITRATOR WILL MAKE A DECISION WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE COMPLETION OF THE HEARING. EITHER PARTY MAY ASK FOR A REASONED AWARD IN WRITING, WHICH SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE PARTIES. BOTH PARTIES SHALL BE ALLOWED A PERIOD OF TIME TO SUBMIT POST-HEARING BRIEFS WITHIN A PERIOD OF TIME DESIGNATED BY THE ARBITRATOR. ANY AWARD RENDERED BY THE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING ON ALL PARTIES EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY LAW. SUCH JUDGMENT OR AWARD RENDERED BY THE ARBITRATOR MAY BE RECORDED OR ENTERED BY EITHER PARTY IN ANY COURT HAVING JURISDICTION PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT.
- 11. THE PARTIES STIPULATE THAT THE PROVISIONS HEREOF SHALL BE A COMPLETE DEFENSE TO ANY SUIT, ACTION, OR





- PROCEEDING INSTITUTED IN ANY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL COURT OR BEFORE ANY ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL. THE ARBITRATION PROVISIONS HEREOF SHALL, WITH RESPECT TO ANY CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE, SURVIVE THE TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- 12. NOTHING HEREIN CONTAINED SHALL BE DEEMED TO GIVE THE ARBITRATOR ANY AUTHORITY, POWER, OR RIGHT TO ALTER, CHANGE, AMEND, MODIFY, ADD TO OR SUBTRACT FROM ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- 13. FAILURE BY EITHER PARTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ARBITRATION PROCESS SHALL PRECLUDE THAT PARTY FROM OBJECTING TO THE ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS.
- 14. PRODUCER MAY DECLINE TO BE BOUND BY ARBITRATION BY COMPLETING THE INFORMATION AND PLACING HIS OR HER SIGNATURES ON PAGE 15 OF THE AGREEMENT. IF PRODUCER ELECTS NOT TO BE BOUND BY THIS ARBITRATION SECTION, PRODUCER AND PERDUE CAN NEVERTHELESS AGREE TO ARBITRATE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS BETWEEN THEMSELVES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING IN ANY WAY TO THE EXECUTION, INTERPRETATION AND PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS BY CONSENTING TO ARBITRATION IN WRITING AFTER THE CLAIM(S) ARISE.
- B. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREIN, IT IS AGREED THAT THE
  COMPLAINT AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN
  SECTIONS VI AND VII OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE THE FINAL
  MEANS OF RESOLVING ALL COMPLAINTS AND DISPUTES BY AND
  BETWEEN PRODUCER AND PERDUE (IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER
  THE COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE ARISES OUT OF, AS A CONSEQUENCE
  OF, FOR OR BY REASON OF, RESULTS FROM, OR RELATES IN ANY
  WAY TO THE FORMATION, EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE,
  TERMINATION, REVOCATION, CANCELLATION, OR EXPIRATION OF
  THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY PROVISIONS THEREOF, INCLUDING, BUT
  NOT LIMITED TO, ALL COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY CLAIMS),
  AND ANY DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN PERDUE AND PRODUCER OVER
  THE SCOPE OF THESE SECTIONS SHALL BE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF
  COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE AND/OR ARBITRATION, AS
  THE CASE MAY BE.

#### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS TERMS

A. Unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement, PERDUE and PRODUCER shall not be held responsible for damages to the other caused by delay or failure to perform hereunder when such delay or failure is due to fires, strikes, acts of God, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults due to labor, feed, or fuel shortages, which are

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- due to a natural disaster (including, but not limited to, fire, flood, windstorm, or hailstorm) which cannot be reasonable forecasted or protected against.
- B. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall for any reason and to any extent, be found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but rather shall be enforced to the maximum extend permissible under applicable law, so long as and to the extent that such enforceability does not materially adversely affect the mutual rights and obligations to the parties hereunder.
- Prior Agreements/Entire Agreement/Release. This Agreement supersedes, voids C. and nullifies any and all previous Poultry Producer Agreements and all other previous agreements governing the relationship between PRODUCER and PERDUE. THE PRODUCER AND PERDUE HEREBY RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL CLAIMS THAT THEY MAY HAVE AGAINST EACH OTHER UNDER OR ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO ANY AND ALL PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT(S), PERFORMANCE OR LACK THEREOF, AND/OR REPRESENTATIONS MADE BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER ENTERING INTO ANY PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT. This Agreement, and any Attachments hereto, constitute the entire agreement between the parties, and those documents supersede all oral statements and other communications made before the execution of those documents. PRODUCER acknowledges that in entering into this Agreement and/or its Attachments, he/she has not relied upon any statements that are not contained in this document, and/or the Attachments hereto.
- No Modification Except in Writing. The parties agree that this Agreement and the D. Attachments hereto may not be modified except in writing signed by both PERDUE and PRODUCER.
- This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of E. the State of Maryland except to the extent that doing so is prohibited. Any action or proceeding brought by either party hereto that is related to this Agreement shall be brought in a Federal court located in the Federal judicial district in which the PRODUCER'S farm is located.
- By executing this Agreement PRODUCER represents and warrants that he/she has F. read and acknowledged the terms of this Agreement and has been afforded the opportunity to consult with third-parties including, but not necessarily limited to, attorneys, financial advisors, and family, before entering into this Agreement and Attachments. By signing this Agreement, PRODUCER represents, warrants and agrees that he/she has made an informed decision with respect to the Agreements and Attachments hereto.



- G. An electronic copy of this Agreement (such as a PDF version), when signed by the PRODUCER and PERDUE, will be considered an "original" document for all purposes.
- H. This Agreement is personal to the PRODUCER and is not transferable or assignable by PRODUCER without the written consent of PERDUE. Should PRODUCER sell or lease an ownership interest in his or her business, this Agreement will automatically terminate, unless PERDUE has consented to the assignment of this Agreement, and PRODUCER will make no representation that PERDUE will continue to supply the new owner or lessee with flocks. PERDUE will be under no obligation to supply PRODUCER's successor(s), assign(s), lessee(s) or new owner(s) with flocks. PERDUE may require, as a condition of the approval of the transfer of PRODUCER's farm, by sale, lease or other assignment, that this Agreement is assigned and accepted by PRODUCER's transferee.
- I. Each party agrees that it will not make use of the Confidential Information except in the performance of this Agreement, and will not disclose any of the Confidential Information. Further, each party will take all necessary and appropriate measures to protect and maintain the Confidential Information disclosed to it. As used herein, "Confidential Information" shall mean any and all oral or written information relating to PERDUE's or PRODUCER's processes, methodologies, financial and cost information, and other related information and data. Confidential Information shall not include (i) information which at the time of disclosure is in the public domain, and (ii) after disclosure becomes part of the public domain through no violation of this section, or (iii) is acquired by the receiving party from a third person, provided that the receiving party does not know or have reason to know that such information was acquired by such third person under an obligation of secrecy involving the disclosing party or (iv) information required to be disclosed by court order or by law, or (v) information independently developed by a party. These obligations shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- J. If more than one person is identified as the PRODUCER, the obligations of each such person hereunder shall be joint and several.
- K. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PRODUCER</u>. Subject to the provisions for arbitration as herein provided, PRODUCER agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold PERDUE, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives harmless against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, losses, actions, and expenses, including injury to any employee of or to any property of PERDUE, proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER or his agents, employees, sub-contractors or parties under its control, in the performance of PRODUCER's duties hereunder. PRODUCER further agrees to indemnify, defend and hold PERDUE harmless from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, and actions, including federal, state, or local administrative actions, rulings and all other actions of any nature whatsoever which are in any manner caused by or which result from the presence of the birds on the premises of

- PRODUCER, including, but not necessarily limited to matters involving emission complaints, disposal complaints, or pollution complaints, violation of law, and any negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- L. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PERDUE</u>. Subject to the provisions for arbitration as herein provided, PERDUE agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the PRODUCER from and against any claims, damages, liabilities, losses and expenses for personal injury or property damage (to property other than chicks or feed) proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PERDUE in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- M. THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS. PERDUE PROVIDES ANY THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS, SUCH AS MEDICINES AND VACCINES, "AS IS" AND DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AS TO THOSE ITEMS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY MANUFACTURER.
- N. Exclusion of Incidental, Consequential, and Certain Other Damages. TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, NEITHER PERDUE NOR PRODUCER SHALL BE LIABLE TO ONE ANOTHER FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, NOMINAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY OR NON-COMPENSATORY DAMAGES WHATSOEVER ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS, AND/OR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- O. DISCLAIMER AND WAIVER OF EXTRAORDINARY CLAIMS. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER MUTUALLY DISCLAIM AND WAIVE THE RIGHT TO PURSUE AGAINST ONE ANOTHER ANY CLASS ACTION CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION OF WHATEVER NATURE OR KIND. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER AGREE THAT EACH WILL PURSUE ANY CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION AGAINST THE OTHER ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS, AND WILL NOT LEAD, JOIN, OR SERVE AS A MEMBER OF A CLASS OR GROUP OF PERSONS BRINGING SUCH A CLAIM OR CAUSES OF ACTION.
- P. IF ANY MATTERS IN DISPUTE ARE REQUIRED TO BE SETTLED BY LITIGATION IN A COURT OF LAW, SUCH TRIALS WILL BE DECIDED BY A JUDGE. THE PARTIES WAIVE TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH ACTION(S) AND CONFIRM THAT THIS WAIVER IS A MATERIAL INDUCEMENT TO THEIR BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS.



Q. Right to Decline Arbitration. A poultry grower, livestock producer or swine production contract grower has the right to decline to be bound by the arbitration provisions set forth in this Agreement. A poultry grower, livestock producer or swine production contract grower shall indicate whether or not it desires to be bound by the arbitration provisions by signing one of the following statements; failure to choose an option will be treated as if the poultry grower, livestock producer or swine production contract grower declined to be bound by the arbitration provisions set forth in this Agreement:

I decline to be bound by the arbitration provisions set forth in this Agreement:

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I accept the arbitration provisions as set forth in this Agreement:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals to this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

PERDUE FOODS LLC

By: Seal (Seal (Director of Live Operations

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#### ATTACHMENT B

#### PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Producer is subject to the following requirements:

- 1. Producer may be placed under the Performance Improvement Program ("PIP") if Producer's flocks fail to achieve Company's minimum standards of competitiveness.
- 2. For purposes of evaluating Producer competitiveness, Company will use the average of the Producer's Adjusted Prime Cost ("APC") calculation from the Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks (the "Six Flock Average"). For purposes of clarification a Six Flock Average is determined before a Producer settles six (6) consecutive flocks. Specifically a Producer must have settled a minimum of three (3) consecutive flocks before a Six Flock Average is calculated and the Six Flock Average calculation is based on the average of the Producer's APC for such three (3) consecutive flocks. Thereafter, and until the Producer settles its sixth flock, an additional flock will be added to the calculation of the Six Flock Average. After the Producer reaches six (6) settled flocks, and thereafter, the Six Flock Average will be calculated based on Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks.
- 3. When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of a -0.0050 or worse (lower), the Producer will be placed in the PIP and be given a performance notice regarding Producer's placement into the PIP. Performance notices will be provided by Perdue's Grow Out staff at a meeting with the Producer and explaining Producer's current APC cost. Such meeting is an opportunity for the Producer in discussion with Perdue Grow Out to identify necessary actions for future flocks that may help to improve Producer's cost and flock performance and therefore may assist Producer in being removed from the PIP. These recommendations may include, if appropriate, new or upgraded equipment and other matters which may improve performance. After the meeting the Grow-out Manager and/or Live Production Manager will follow up with a certified letter to the Producer confirming Producer's placement into the PIP.
- 4. When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of -0.0075 or worse (lower), the Producer will receive notice by certified letter stating that the Producer must meet one or more of the following criteria in order to maintain a Poultry Producer Agreement with Perdue:
  - a. Settle the notice flock with an APC of -0.0025 or better (greater);
  - b. Settle the notice flock so as to improve the Six Flock Average to better (greater) than a -0.0075; or
  - c. Settle the notice flock so that at least three (3) of the flocks within Producer's Six Flock Average settled with an APC of zero or better (greater).

- Producer will be subject to termination if Producer fails to meet one or more of the 5. criteria set forth in Paragraph 4 above. All settlements, records, and communications will be reviewed by the Director of Live Operations for the applicable complex before the Agreement is terminated pursuant to the PIP.
- Producer will be removed from the PIP when Producer settles a flock and as a result 6. reaches a Six Flock Average better (greater) than -0.0050.
- 7. Factors that are considered to be beyond the Producer's control may be reviewed and may not be considered when calculating a Producer's Six Flock Average standing with Perdue. Notwithstanding, any Producer that had a preventable disaster will be held accountable for the flock cost in the Six Flock Average calculation. In addition, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or the PIP, a certified letter will be sent stating that if another preventable disaster occurs on the Producer's farm within 12 months of the above-referenced preventable disaster, the Poultry Producer Agreement will be terminated.

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This AGREEMENT, made December 29, 2014	, between PERDUE FOODS LLC, a Maryland
limited liability company, of Salisbury, Mary	vland, hereafter referred to as PERDUE, and
Roger D. Parker & Linda G. Parker dba Hazel Lee Farm	of
897 Hwy 24 E Milledgeville GA 31061	, hereafter referred to as PRODUCER
In consideration of the mutual promises of Pl	ERDUE and PRODUCER, it is agreed as follows:

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT PRODUCER AGREES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT, AND TO MAINTAIN SUCH HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT IN A STATE OF GOOD REPAIR AND OPERABLE CONDITION, TO COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS, AND CODES, AND TO PERFORM ITS SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PERDUE PROCEDURES AND SOUND FARMING AND GROWING PRACTICES.

ADDITIONAL CAPITAL INVESTMENTS. ADDITIONAL LARGE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS MAY BE REQUIRED OF PRODUCER DURING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT.

#### I. PERDUE AGREES:

- A. To consign available birds to PRODUCER to be raised for PERDUE.
- B. To provide and deliver to PRODUCER, or arrange to have provided and delivered to PRODUCER, feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which are necessary for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- C. To provide PRODUCER with an accounting of birds consigned and supplies provided under the terms of this Agreement.
- D. To compensate PRODUCER for services provided herein as provided for in the attached "PRODUCER PAYMENT SCHEDULE," set forth in Attachment A.
- E. To provide to PRODUCER upon request thereby statistical information and data regarding PRODUCER and used by PERDUE to determine compensation paid to PRODUCER by PERDUE under this Agreement, other than information that is or relates to a trade secret.

## II. PRODUCER AGREES:

- A. To accept the birds when consigned and to raise the birds until removed at PERDUE's direction from the PRODUCER's farm.
- B. To feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the birds consigned, to provide the necessary housing, utilities, equipment, labor and supplies and to maintain such housing and equipment in a state of good repair and operable condition.

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- C. To use only the feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which PERDUE has provided, or has arranged to be provided, to PRODUCER for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- D. To provide an alarm system to monitor electrical power failure and abnormal temperature levels within the poultry house(s) and to maintain the alarm system in operable condition at all times.
- E. To provide for prompt and proper disposal of all dead and cull poultry resulting from normal mortalities and/or catastrophic loss in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state, and local laws, regulations and codes.
- F. To properly handle all used poultry litter in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state and local laws, regulations and codes.
- G. To keep all records and other information required for the efficient and proper care of the birds consigned hereby including, but not limited to, records of mortality, water readings, generator logs and other audit requirements.
- H. To allow or maintain no other poultry, fowl, wild birds, exotic or domestic pet birds, caged or free running, on the premises and to rid the farm of all birds left on the farm on the same day of the final movement of birds. Furthermore, PRODUCER and PRODUCER's employees will not maintain, own or care for any other flocks, birds or poultry on any other premises unless approved by PERDUE.
- I. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor immediately (within 24 hours) if any birds, for any reason, do not develop normally, or if there is any disease or parasitism noticeable within the flock, or if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock.
- J. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor within 48 hours of any damage to PRODUCER's poultry houses or poultry house equipment caused by PERDUE.
- K. To sell or use any part of a flock only after a written agreement is reached between PERDUE and PRODUCER regarding any such sale.
- L. To provide properly maintained roads free of surface or overhead obstructions from the nearest county or state maintained road to and around PRODUCER'S poultry house(s) and to assume responsibility for all costs incurred if roads are not maintained properly or free of obstructions.
- M. To be present or represented when birds are delivered and during the catching and movement of each flock and to be responsible for proper house preparation prior to chick placement and chicken catching and movement, such preparation to include adequately raising or moving of equipment.



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- N. To comply with any bio-security policies, audits, measures or guidelines required by PERDUE.
- O. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes applicable to PRODUCER, the services provided hereunder, the birds consigned and/or the property, buildings or equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement.
- P. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations, or codes applicable to PRODUCER'S environmental management, including, without limitation, nutrient management plans, operating permits, bird mortality, water quality and air quality.
- Q. To adhere to the instructions provided by PERDUE regarding feed and water withdrawal times prior to the catching of the flock.
- R. To provide care for the health and welfare of the flock in accordance with and adhere to the PERDUE Poultry Welfare Program.

#### III. OTHER TERMS

- A. PRODUCER shall perform the services hereunder using the skill, knowledge and discretion which PRODUCER possesses, informed by PERDUE's established procedures and otherwise sound farming and growing practices in accordance with industry standards.
- B. PRODUCER shall not take any action or refrain from taking any action that is likely to endanger the health and welfare of the birds consigned or otherwise result in food safety issues or concerns for PERDUE. Specifically, PRODUCER shall not administer or allow to be administered any substance to the flock, including, without limitation, use of any medication, vitamins, minerals, vaccines, disinfectant, insecticide, pesticide, rodenticide, fungicide, herbicide or other chemicals in or around the poultry houses unless authorized and instructed to do so in writing by PERDUE. If PERDUE incurs any loss, cost, expense or damage arising out of or related to PRODUCER's violation of this section, including, but not limited to expense of destroying live birds and the expense of recalling processed poultry meat PRODUCER will reimburse PERDUE for such loss, cost , expense or damage. Such damages may be offset against any payment due to PRODUCER by PERDUE.
- C. PRODUCER is the owner of the land, buildings, equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement or that PRODUCER is in legal possession of said property and has the right and authority to use the same for the purposes of this Agreement.
- D. PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is or shall be located to inspect the flock or facilities. If PRODUCER is not satisfactorily performing PRODUCER'S obligation under the Agreement to care for, treat and maintain the flock,

or this Agreement has been terminated in accordance with its terms, PERDUE shall be fully authorized, without prejudice to any and all other legal rights and remedies it may have, to enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is located, either to feed and care for the flock on PRODUCER's premises or to take immediate possession and to remove or dispose of said flock in such manner as PERDUE may see fit. In such event, PERDUE will be entitled to damages as set forth in Section III.B.

- E. If PERDUE enters upon the premises of the PRODUCER as permitted under D above, PERDUE may remove the flock, and/or undertake the maintenance, treatment, feeding, and care of the flock on the PRODUCER'S property, and/or do such other thing or things with reference to assuring the proper health and welfare of the flock as outlined by PERDUE'S established procedures. PRODUCER shall assume the costs for any necessary disbursements to accomplish such purposes.
- F. Title to each flock shall remain in PERDUE. PRODUCER shall not permit any lien, distraint, levy, or any other impairments to PERDUE'S title to the flock or flocks placed hereunder. PERDUE shall have the right to sell each flock consigned under this Agreement at any time without any liens, distraint proceedings, or charges whatsoever of creditors of PRODUCER.
- G. PRODUCER or a designee of PRODUCER shall have the right to be present at the weighing by PERDUE of any birds raised by PRODUCER under this Agreement, be present at the weighing of feed delivered under this Agreement, and observe the weights and measures used by PERDUE to determine the compensation due to PRODUCER under this Agreement.
- H. PERDUE has a performance improvement program ("PIP") and PRODUCER is subject to the PIP as provided herein. The terms and the performance improvement guidelines of the PIP, including, without limitation, factors considered when placing PRODUCER in the PIP, factors considered in determining if and when the PRODUCER is removed from the PIP (and placed back in good standing), and when the Agreement will be terminated as a result of the PIP, are set forth in Attachment B.
- I. PRODUCER understands and agrees that PERDUE will determine, in its sole and absolute discretion:
  - a. the breed of chickens PRODUCER will receive;
  - the number and density of chickens in each flock delivered to PRODUCER's farm;
  - c. the size, weight and age of the chicken to be produced;
  - d. the time for processing of each flock; and
  - e. the date, time and estimated interval of placement for future flocks.
- J. PRODUCER understands and agrees that taking photographs, images, audio and/or video recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives is strictly prohibited.



-4-POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT April 1, 2014 Furthermore, the transmission or posting of images/recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives via the internet including, but not limited to, email, picture or video messaging and/or use of social networking or photo sharing websites is strictly prohibited.

K. PRODUCER acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement will be retained by PERDUE in electronic file format only.

## IV. PRODUCER'S INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- A. PRODUCER'S obligations outlined in this Agreement are for purposes of providing service with respect to PERDUE'S poultry. Therefore, this is a service contract and not a contract of employment and PERDUE and PRODUCER are each independent contractors. Neither party, nor their agents or employees, shall be considered to be the employees of the other for any purpose whatsoever.
- B. PRODUCER is exclusively responsible for the performance of PRODUCER'S obligations under this Agreement. The employment, compensation, and supervision of any persons by PRODUCER in the performance of such obligations is a matter of PRODUCER'S sole discretion and responsibility. PRODUCER accepts full and exclusive liability for payment of any and all applicable taxes for workers' compensation insurance, unemployment compensation insurance, or old age benefits or annuities now or hereafter imposed by any governmental agency, as to PRODUCER and all persons as PRODUCER may engage in the performance of this Agreement. Said taxes shall be paid directly by PRODUCER and shall not be chargeable to PERDUE. PRODUCER agrees to hold PERDUE harmless from any liability with respect to any such taxes or other charges.

#### V. TERM; TERMINATION

- A. For the convenience of not having to initiate a new Agreement after each flock, this Agreement shall continue until the Agreement is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER as provided herein.
- B. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason, including default, provided that at least ninety (90) days prior written notice be given to the other party. The parties further agree that once written notice of termination is provided, PERDUE shall not be required to deliver chicks to PRODUCER'S farm during the 90-day time period once a flock is removed from PRODUCER'S farm.
- C. Any termination as a result of a default by a party shall not relieve the defaulting party of any liability to the other as a result of any default hereunder occurring prior to termination. In the event this contract is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER, all amounts owing to PERDUE or PRODUCER will be payable immediately, or shall be paid as otherwise described in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of



this Agreement, the amounts due PRODUCER hereunder shall be the amounts calculated pursuant to the other provisions of this Agreement reduced by any and all amounts paid or advanced by PERDUE, at any time, to or on behalf of PRODUCER, and further reduced by any amounts chargeable to PRODUCER hereunder or owing from PRODUCER to PERDUE. Adjustments necessary because of such payments, advance, or amounts shall be made when appropriate.

D. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by PERDUE at any time upon written notice to PRODUCER for any of the following reasons:

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- a. PRODUCER abandons a flock or neglects to provide feed, water, proper house management or care, which abandonment, neglect or failure to provide care threatens the health and welfare or existence of a flock;
- b. Death of PRODUCER;
- c. PRODUCER uses abusive or threatening language to any PERDUE representative or threatens or causes physical harm to any PERDUE representative, or in any other way impedes or interferes with PERDUE representatives in the performance of their duties;
- d. PRODUCER fails to comply with applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes;
- e. PRODUCER terminates its business as a producer for PERDUE;
- f. PRODUCER transfers an ownership interest in its business without PERDUE's consent, has disposed of or attempted to dispose of a flock or attempts to encumber or mortgage a flock;
- g. PRODUCER uses any feed, medications, vaccinations or other supplies other than those provided by PERDUE in violation of Sections II(C) and/or III(B);
- h. PRODUCER becomes insolvent or has filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy or an involuntary bankruptcy has been filed against PRODUCER, which petition has not been promptly discharged;
- i. PRODUCER makes any public statements or comments regarding PERDUE or its brands that are false, defamatory or disparaging in nature;
- PRODUCER's farm has been without chickens for more than one hundred eighty (180) days;
- k. PRODUCER takes photographs, images, audio and/or video recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives and/or transmits or posts



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images/recordings of the chickens and/or PERDUE representatives via the internet including, but not limited to email, picture or video messaging, social networking or photo sharing websites in violation of Section III(I);

- 1. PRODUCER fails to comply with the PERDUE Poultry Welfare Program;
- m. Economic necessity for either or both parties ("Economic necessity" includes, but is not limited to, threat of economic and/or financial harm, impending bankruptcy, bankruptcy, and/or disease outbreaks);
- n. PRODUCER allowing or maintaining poultry, fowl, wild birds, and/or exotic birds on the farm other than PERDUE's poultry; or
- o. PRODUCER creating and/or contributing to a threatened and/or actual biosecurity hazard.
- E. PRODUCER shall have a right to cancel this Agreement until 12:00 Midnight of the third business day after the day on which PRODUCER signs this Agreement. Notice of cancellation under this Section V.E. shall be given in writing by PRODUCER to PERDUE by certified mail, return receipt requested, which shall be posted before termination of the right to cancel under this Section V.E. to the following address:

Perdue Foods LLC Attn: Live Production / Grow-out Management PO Box 1537 Salisbury, MD 21802-1537

#### VI. COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

A. The procedures in this Section VI and Section VII below (except to the extent PRODUCER declines arbitration), shall govern any and all complaints or disputes between PERDUE and PRODUCER arising out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, resulting from, or relating in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law, equitable and/or statutory claims. The Complaint Resolution Procedure is as follows:

The PRODUCER shall first present his or her complaint to the local PERDUE Flock Advisor within three (3) working days from the date of the alleged complaint or problem, or within three (3) working days from the date the PRODUCER becomes aware of an alleged compliant or problem, whichever occurs first. If the PERDUE Flock Advisor cannot immediately solve the problem, he or she will, in consultation with the Growout Manager and Live Production Manager, respond to PRODUCER'S complaint or problem within five (5) working days.

Step 2: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 1, the PRODUCER shall call the PERDUE Director of Live Operations within three (3) working days of the unsatisfactory response to discuss the problem, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes has been violated. Within three (3) working days of contacting the PERDUE Director of Live Operations, the PRODUCER shall confirm, in writing, his/her conversation with the Director of Live Operations, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes, has been violated. The PERDUE Director of Live Operations will respond in writing to PRODUCER'S complaint within five (5) working days upon actual receipt of the written complaint. If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in this Step 2, proceed to Step 3 or Section VII below, as applicable.

Step 3: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 2 and the dispute regards a settlement or a payment pursuant to a settlement, all complaints or problems regarding such settlement, payment pursuant to such settlement, and any documents utilized in support of the settlement, will be reviewed by a Peer Review Committee no later than ten (10) working days after the date of PERDUE'S response under Step 2. For all other complaints or disputes, proceed to Section VII. The Peer Review Committee shall consist of four (4) PERDUE producers who are situated in close geographical proximity to the aggrieved PRODUCER, and are not related to the aggrieved PRODUCER or otherwise interested in the finances under this Agreement. The Peer Review Committee members shall include two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by the aggrieved PRODUCER and two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by PERDUE. The Peer Review Committee shall make a non-binding written recommendation to PERDUE and the PRODUCER which will be distributed to PERDUE and the PRODUCER within three (3) working days of the meeting. PERDUE and the PRODUCER will have five (5) working days to either accept or reject the Committee's recommendation. In the event the Committee does not agree on a recommendation, PERDUE Management will have the discretion to resolve the issue, taking into consideration the interests of both parties. If either PERDUE or the PRODUCER reject the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, the matter shall be taken up as outlined in Section VII below. Neither PERDUE nor the PRODUCER are required to accept the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution. If PERDUE and the PRODUCER agree upon the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, such resolution of the complaint or dispute shall be reduced to writing and signed by PERDUE and the PRODUCER.

B. The purpose of the Complaint Resolution Procedure is to establish an effective mechanism for the fair and equitable resolution of complaints and disputes between the parties. Therefore, except in cases of undue hardship, PRODUCER agrees to participate as a Peer Review Committee member, as described in the Complaint Resolution Procedure, to resolve disputes regarding settlements or payments pursuant to settlements involving other PERDUE Producers situated in close proximity to PRODUCER.



# VII. ARBITRATION:

- A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREIN, IF THE COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTION VI ABOVE THEN THE MATTER SHALL BE EXCLUSIVELY SUBMITTED TO ARBITRATION BETWEEN PERDUE AND PRODUCER. IN NO EVENT WILL THE FAILURE TO UTILIZE ANY OR ALL OF THE STEPS IN SECTION VI ABOVE CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE MANDATORY ARBITRATION PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION VII. ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE HANDLED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:
  - 1. THE COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO BINDING ARBITRATION CONDUCTED BY A SINGLE ARBITRATOR TO BE SELECTED BY THE PARTIES. IF THE PARTIES CANNOT AGREE ON A SINGLE ARBITRATOR, THEN THE SINGLE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE SELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: (I) THE ARBITRATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED BY THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION ("AAA"); (II) A SINGLE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE SELECTED FROM A LIST OF AT LEAST 7 INDIVIDUALS PROVIDED BY THE AAA; (III) THE PARTY DEMANDING ARBITRATION SHALL MAKE THE FIRST, THIRD AND FIFTH STRIKES FROM THE LIST; (IV) THE SECOND PARTY SHALL MAKE THE SECOND, FOURTH AND SIXTH STRIKES; AND (V) THE REMAINING INDIVIDUAL FROM THE ORIGINAL LIST OF SEVEN SHALL BE THE ARBITRATOR.
  - 2. BECAUSE THE CONTRACT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS HERETO AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PRODUCER AND PERDUE EVIDENCE A TRANSACTION INVOLVING INTERSTATE COMMERCE, PRODUCER AND PERDUE AGREE THAT THESE ARBITRATION PROVISIONS SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND BE ENFORCEABLE UNDER THE FEDERAL ARBITRATION ACT.
  - 3. EITHER PARTY (PERDUE OR PRODUCER) SHALL DEMAND ARBITRATION IN WRITING WITHIN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) DAYS AFTER THE ALLEGED COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE WAS KNOWN OR REASONABLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN KNOWN BY SERVING A COPY OF THE WRITTEN DEMAND TO THE OTHER PARTY. IF THE PERDUE DEMANDS ARBITRATION, THE WRITTEN DEMAND SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE PRODUCER. IF THE PRODUCER DEMANDS ARBITRATION, THE WRITTEN DEMAND SHALL BE PROVIDED TO PERDUE BY MAIL TO HERBERT D. FRERICHS, JR., GENERAL COUNSEL, 31149 OLD OCEAN CITY ROAD, SALISBURY, MD 21804. PERDUE AGREES TO PAY (OR REIMBURSE PRODUCER) THE AAA'S INITIAL FILING FEE

- ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER PARTY FILING AN ARBITRATION DEMAND.
- 4. THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREE THAT THE ARBITRATOR SELECTED SHALL BE A NEUTRAL AND IMPARTIAL ARBITRATOR.
- 5. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE A PERSON HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF OR EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO THE POULTRY INDUSTRY.
- 6. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED ABOVE, EACH PARTY SHALL BEAR ITS OWN ARBITRATION COSTS AND EXPENSES, AND THE COSTS AND EXPENSES OF THE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE SHARED JOINTLY AND EQUALLY BETWEEN THE PARTIES.
- 7. THE ARBITRATION HEARING SHALL BE HELD WITHIN THE SPECIFIED VENUE OR AN AGREED-TO LOCATION. AT LEAST TWENTY (20) DAYS ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE HEARING DATE, TIME AND LOCATION SHALL BE PROVIDED TO BOTH PARTIES.
- 8. DISCOVERY SHALL BE PERMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ARBITRATION ONLY TO THE EXTENT, IF ANY, EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE ARBITRATOR UPON A SHOWING OF SUBSTANTIAL NEED BY THE PARTY SEEKING DISCOVERY.
- 9. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HAVE NO POWER TO AWARD NON-MONETARY OR EQUITABLE RELIEF OF ANY SORT. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL ALSO HAVE NO POWER TO AWARD (A) DAMAGES INCONSISTENT WITH ANY APPLICABLE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES OR (B) PUNITIVE DAMAGES OR ANY OTHER DAMAGES NOT MEASURED BY THE PREVAILING PARTY'S ACTUAL DAMAGES, AND THE PARTIES EXPRESSLY WAIVE THEIR RIGHT TO OBTAIN SUCH DAMAGES IN ARBITRATION OR IN ANY OTHER FORUM.
- 10. THE ARBITRATOR SHALL HEAR THE EVIDENCE AND TESTIMONY OFFERED BY THE PARTIES, AND THE ARBITRATION HEARING SHALL BE CONCLUDED WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS FROM ITS STARTING DATE UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE ARBITRATOR. THE ARBITRATOR WILL MAKE A DECISION WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE COMPLETION OF THE HEARING. EITHER PARTY MAY ASK FOR A REASONED AWARD IN WRITING, WHICH SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE PARTIES. BOTH PARTIES SHALL BE ALLOWED A PERIOD OF TIME TO SUBMIT POST-HEARING BRIEFS WITHIN A PERIOD OF TIME DESIGNATED BY THE ARBITRATOR. ANY AWARD RENDERED BY THE ARBITRATOR SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING ON ALL PARTIES EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY LAW. SUCH JUDGMENT OR AWARD RENDERED BY THE ARBITRATOR MAY BE RECORDED OR ENTERED BY EITHER PARTY IN ANY COURT HAVING JURISDICTION PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT.
- 11. THE PARTIES STIPULATE THAT THE PROVISIONS HEREOF SHALL BE A COMPLETE DEFENSE TO ANY SUIT, ACTION, OR



- PROCEEDING INSTITUTED IN ANY FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL COURT OR BEFORE ANY ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL. THE ARBITRATION PROVISIONS HEREOF SHALL, WITH RESPECT TO ANY CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE, SURVIVE THE TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- 12. NOTHING HEREIN CONTAINED SHALL BE DEEMED TO GIVE THE ARBITRATOR ANY AUTHORITY, POWER, OR RIGHT TO ALTER, CHANGE, AMEND, MODIFY, ADD TO OR SUBTRACT FROM ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- 13. FAILURE BY EITHER PARTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ARBITRATION PROCESS SHALL PRECLUDE THAT PARTY FROM OBJECTING TO THE ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS.
- 14. PRODUCER MAY DECLINE TO BE BOUND BY ARBITRATION BY COMPLETING THE INFORMATION AND PLACING HIS OR HER SIGNATURES ON PAGE 15 OF THE AGREEMENT. IF PRODUCER ELECTS NOT TO BE BOUND BY THIS ARBITRATION SECTION, PRODUCER AND PERDUE CAN NEVERTHELESS AGREE TO ARBITRATE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS BETWEEN THEMSELVES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING IN ANY WAY TO THE EXECUTION, INTERPRETATION AND PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS BY CONSENTING TO ARBITRATION IN WRITING AFTER THE CLAIM(S) ARISE.
- B. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREIN, IT IS AGREED THAT THE COMPLAINT AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN SECTIONS VI AND VII OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE THE FINAL MEANS OF RESOLVING ALL COMPLAINTS AND DISPUTES BY AND BETWEEN PRODUCER AND PERDUE (IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER THE COMPLAINT OR DISPUTE ARISES OUT OF, AS A CONSEQUENCE OF, FOR OR BY REASON OF, RESULTS FROM, OR RELATES IN ANY WAY TO THE FORMATION, EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE, TERMINATION, REVOCATION, CANCELLATION, OR EXPIRATION OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY PROVISIONS THEREOF, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ALL COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY CLAIMS), AND ANY DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN PERDUE AND PRODUCER OVER THE SCOPE OF THESE SECTIONS SHALL BE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE AND/OR ARBITRATION, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

# VIII. MISCELLANEOUS TERMS

A. Unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement, PERDUE and PRODUCER shall not be held responsible for damages to the other caused by delay or failure to perform hereunder when such delay or failure is due to fires, strikes, acts of God, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults due to labor, feed, or fuel shortages, which are



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- due to a natural disaster (including, but not limited to, fire, flood, windstorm, or hailstorm) which cannot be reasonable forecasted or protected against.
- B. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall for any reason and to any extent, be found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but rather shall be enforced to the maximum extend permissible under applicable law, so long as and to the extent that such enforceability does not materially adversely affect the mutual rights and obligations to the parties hereunder.
- C. Prior Agreements/Entire Agreement/Release. This Agreement supersedes, voids and nullifies any and all previous Poultry Producer Agreements and all other previous agreements governing the relationship between PRODUCER and PERDUE. THE PRODUCER AND PERDUE HEREBY RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL CLAIMS THAT THEY MAY HAVE AGAINST EACH OTHER UNDER OR ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO ANY AND ALL PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT(S), PERFORMANCE OR LACK THEREOF, AND/OR REPRESENTATIONS MADE BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER ENTERING INTO ANY PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT. This Agreement, and any Attachments hereto, constitute the entire agreement between the parties, and those documents supersede all oral statements and other communications made before the execution of those documents. PRODUCER acknowledges that in entering into this Agreement and/or its Attachments, he/she has not relied upon any statements that are not contained in this document, and/or the Attachments hereto.
- D. No Modification Except in Writing. The parties agree that this Agreement and the Attachments hereto may not be modified except in writing signed by both PERDUE and PRODUCER.
- E. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Maryland except to the extent that doing so is prohibited. Any action or proceeding brought by either party hereto that is related to this Agreement shall be brought in a Federal court located in the Federal judicial district in which the PRODUCER'S farm is located.
- F. By executing this Agreement PRODUCER represents and warrants that he/she has read and acknowledged the terms of this Agreement and has been afforded the opportunity to consult with third-parties including, but not necessarily limited to, attorneys, financial advisors, and family, before entering into this Agreement and Attachments. By signing this Agreement, PRODUCER represents, warrants and agrees that he/she has made an informed decision with respect to the Agreements and Attachments hereto.



- G. An electronic copy of this Agreement (such as a PDF version), when signed by the PRODUCER and PERDUE, will be considered an "original" document for all purposes.
- H. This Agreement is personal to the PRODUCER and is not transferable or assignable by PRODUCER without the written consent of PERDUE. Should PRODUCER sell or lease an ownership interest in his or her business, this Agreement will automatically terminate, unless PERDUE has consented to the assignment of this Agreement, and PRODUCER will make no representation that PERDUE will continue to supply the new owner or lessee with flocks. PERDUE will be under no obligation to supply PRODUCER's successor(s), assign(s), lessee(s) or new owner(s) with flocks. PERDUE may require, as a condition of the approval of the transfer of PRODUCER's farm, by sale, lease or other assignment, that this Agreement is assigned and accepted by PRODUCER's transferee.
- Each party agrees that it will not make use of the Confidential Information except in I. the performance of this Agreement, and will not disclose any of the Confidential Information. Further, each party will take all necessary and appropriate measures to protect and maintain the Confidential Information disclosed to it. As used herein, "Confidential Information" shall mean any and all oral or written information relating to PERDUE's or PRODUCER's processes, methodologies, financial and cost information, and other related information and data. Confidential Information shall not include (i) information which at the time of disclosure is in the public domain, and (ii) after disclosure becomes part of the public domain through no violation of this section, or (iii) is acquired by the receiving party from a third person, provided that the receiving party does not know or have reason to know that such information was acquired by such third person under an obligation of secrecy involving the disclosing party or (iv) information required to be disclosed by court order or by law, or (v) information independently developed by a party. These obligations shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- J. If more than one person is identified as the PRODUCER, the obligations of each such person hereunder shall be joint and several.
- K. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PRODUCER</u>. Subject to the provisions for arbitration as herein provided, PRODUCER agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold PERDUE, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives harmless against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, losses, actions, and expenses, including injury to any employee of or to any property of PERDUE, proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER or his agents, employees, sub-contractors or parties under its control, in the performance of PRODUCER's duties hereunder. PRODUCER further agrees to indemnify, defend and hold PERDUE harmless from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, and actions, including federal, state, or local administrative actions, rulings and all other actions of any nature whatsoever which are in any manner caused by or which result from the presence of the birds on the premises of

PRODUCER, including, but not necessarily limited to matters involving emission complaints, disposal complaints, or pollution complaints, violation of law, and any negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

- L. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PERDUE</u>. Subject to the provisions for arbitration as herein provided, PERDUE agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the PRODUCER from and against any claims, damages, liabilities, losses and expenses for personal injury or property damage (to property other than chicks or feed) proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PERDUE in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- M. THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS. PERDUE PROVIDES ANY THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS, SUCH AS MEDICINES AND VACCINES, "AS IS" AND DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AS TO THOSE ITEMS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY MANUFACTURER.
- N. Exclusion of Incidental, Consequential, and Certain Other Damages. TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, NEITHER PERDUE NOR PRODUCER SHALL BE LIABLE TO ONE ANOTHER FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, NOMINAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY OR NON-COMPENSATORY DAMAGES WHATSOEVER ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS, AND/OR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- O. DISCLAIMER AND WAIVER OF EXTRAORDINARY CLAIMS. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER MUTUALLY DISCLAIM AND WAIVE THE RIGHT TO PURSUE AGAINST ONE ANOTHER ANY CLASS ACTION CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION OF WHATEVER NATURE OR KIND. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER AGREE THAT EACH WILL PURSUE ANY CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION AGAINST THE OTHER ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS, AND WILL NOT LEAD, JOIN, OR SERVE AS A MEMBER OF A CLASS OR GROUP OF PERSONS BRINGING SUCH A CLAIM OR CAUSES OF ACTION.
- P. IF ANY MATTERS IN DISPUTE ARE REQUIRED TO BE SETTLED BY LITIGATION IN A COURT OF LAW, SUCH TRIALS WILL BE DECIDED BY A JUDGE. THE PARTIES WAIVE TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH ACTION(S) AND CONFIRM THAT THIS WAIVER IS A MATERIAL INDUCEMENT TO THEIR BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS.



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Q. Right to Decline Arbitration. A poultry grower, livestock producer or swine production contract grower has the right to decline to be bound by the arbitration provisions set forth in this Agreement. A poultry grower, livestock producer or swine production contract grower shall indicate whether or not it desires to be bound by the arbitration provisions by signing one of the following statements; failure to choose an option will be treated as if the poultry grower, livestock producer or swine production contract grower declined to be bound by the arbitration provisions set forth in this Agreement:

I decline to be bound by the arbitration provisions set forth in this Agreement:

l accept the arbitration provisions as set forth in this Agreement:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals to this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

PERDUE FOODS LLC

(Seal)

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#### ATTACHMENT B

#### PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Producer is subject to the following requirements:

- 1. Producer may be placed under the Performance Improvement Program ("PIP") if Producer's flocks fail to achieve Company's minimum standards of competitiveness.
- 2. For purposes of evaluating Producer competitiveness, Company will use the average of the Producer's Adjusted Prime Cost ("APC") calculation from the Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks (the "Six Flock Average"). For purposes of clarification a Six Flock Average is determined before a Producer settles six (6) consecutive flocks. Specifically a Producer must have settled a minimum of three (3) consecutive flocks before a Six Flock Average is calculated and the Six Flock Average calculation is based on the average of the Producer's APC for such three (3) consecutive flocks. Thereafter, and until the Producer settles its sixth flock, an additional flock will be added to the calculation of the Six Flock Average. After the Producer reaches six (6) settled flocks, and thereafter, the Six Flock Average will be calculated based on Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks.
- 3. When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of a -0.0050 or worse (lower), the Producer will be placed in the PIP and be given a performance notice regarding Producer's placement into the PIP. Performance notices will be provided by Perdue's Grow Out staff at a meeting with the Producer and explaining Producer's current APC cost. Such meeting is an opportunity for the Producer in discussion with Perdue Grow Out to identify necessary actions for future flocks that may help to improve Producer's cost and flock performance and therefore may assist Producer in being removed from the PIP. These recommendations may include, if appropriate, new or upgraded equipment and other matters which may improve performance. After the meeting the Grow-out Manager and/or Live Production Manager will follow up with a certified letter to the Producer confirming Producer's placement into the PIP.
- 4. When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of -0.0075 or worse (lower), the Producer will receive notice by certified letter stating that the Producer must meet one or more of the following criteria in order to maintain a Poultry Producer Agreement with Perdue:
  - a. Settle the notice flock with an APC of -0.0025 or better (greater);
  - b. Settle the notice flock so as to improve the Six Flock Average to better (greater) than a -0.0075; or
  - c. Settle the notice flock so that at least three (3) of the flocks within Producer's Six Flock Average settled with an APC of zero or better (greater).

- 5. Producer will be subject to termination if Producer fails to meet one or more of the criteria set forth in Paragraph 4 above. All settlements, records, and communications will be reviewed by the Director of Live Operations for the applicable complex before the Agreement is terminated pursuant to the PIP.
- 6. Producer will be removed from the PIP when Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average better (greater) than -0.0050.
- 7. Factors that are considered to be beyond the Producer's control may be reviewed and may not be considered when calculating a Producer's Six Flock Average standing with Perdue. Notwithstanding, any Producer that had a preventable disaster will be held accountable for the flock cost in the Six Flock Average calculation. In addition, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or the PIP, a certified letter will be sent stating that if another preventable disaster occurs on the Producer's farm within 12 months of the above-referenced preventable disaster, the Poultry Producer Agreement will be terminated.

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# POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT, made <u>December 16, 2016</u> , bet	ween PERDUE FOODS LLC, a Maryland	
limited liability company, of Salisbury, Maryland, hereafter referred to as PERDUE, and		
Simon Parker & Casey Parker dba Parker's Poultry	of	
288 Gordon Road Hillsboro, GA. 31038	, hereafter referred to as PRODUCER	
In consideration of the mutual promises of PERDUE and PRODUCER, it is agreed as follows:		

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT PRODUCER AGREES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT, AND TO MAINTAIN SUCH HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT IN A STATE OF GOOD REPAIR AND OPERABLE CONDITION, TO COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS, AND CODES, AND TO PERFORM ITS SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PERDUE PROCEDURES AND SOUND FARMING AND GROWING PRACTICES.

ADDITIONAL CAPITAL INVESTMENTS. ADDITIONAL LARGE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS MAY BE REQUIRED OF PRODUCER DURING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT.

## I. PERDUE AGREES:

- A. To consign available birds to PRODUCER to be raised for PERDUE.
- B. To provide and deliver to PRODUCER, or arrange to have provided and delivered to PRODUCER, feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which are necessary for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- C. To provide PRODUCER with an accounting of birds consigned and supplies provided under the terms of this Agreement.
- D. To compensate PRODUCER for services provided herein as provided for in the attached "PRODUCER PAYMENT SCHEDULE," set forth in **Attachment A**.
- E. To provide to PRODUCER upon request thereby statistical information and data regarding PRODUCER and used by PERDUE to determine compensation paid to PRODUCER by PERDUE under this Agreement, other than information that is or relates to a trade secret.

## II. PRODUCER AGREES:

- A. To accept the birds when consigned and to raise the birds until removed at PERDUE's direction from the PRODUCER's farm.
- B. To feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the birds consigned, to provide the necessary housing, utilities, equipment, labor and supplies and to maintain such housing and equipment in a state of good repair and operable condition.

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- C. To use only the feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which PERDUE has provided, or has arranged to be provided, to PRODUCER for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- D. To provide an alarm system to monitor electrical power failure and abnormal temperature levels within the poultry house(s) and to maintain the alarm system in operable condition at all times.
- E. To provide for prompt and proper disposal of all dead and cull poultry resulting from normal mortalities and/or catastrophic loss in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state, and local laws, regulations and codes.
- F. To properly handle all used poultry litter in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state and local laws, regulations and codes.
- G. To keep all records and other information required for the efficient and proper care of the birds consigned hereby including, but not limited to, records of mortality, water readings, generator logs and other audit requirements.
- H. To allow or maintain no other poultry, fowl, wild birds, exotic or domestic pet birds, caged or free running, on the premises and to rid the farm of all birds left on the farm on the same day of the final movement of birds. Furthermore, PRODUCER and PRODUCER's employees will not maintain, own or care for any other flocks, birds or poultry on any other premises unless approved by PERDUE.
- I. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor immediately (within 24 hours) if any birds, for any reason, do not develop normally, or if there is any disease or parasitism noticeable within the flock, or if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock.
- J. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor within 48 hours of any damage to PRODUCER's poultry houses or poultry house equipment caused by PERDUE.
- K. To sell or use any part of a flock only after a written agreement is reached between PERDUE and PRODUCER regarding any such sale.
- L. To provide properly maintained roads free of surface or overhead obstructions from the nearest county or state maintained road to and around PRODUCER'S poultry house(s) and to assume responsibility for all costs incurred if roads are not maintained properly or free of obstructions.
- M. To be present or represented when birds are delivered and during the catching and movement of each flock and to be responsible for proper house preparation prior to chick placement and chicken catching and movement, such preparation to include adequately raising or moving of equipment.



- N. To comply with any bio-security policies, audits, measures or guidelines required by PERDUE.
- O. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes applicable to PRODUCER, the services provided hereunder, the birds consigned and/or the property, buildings or equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement.
- P. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations, or codes applicable to PRODUCER'S environmental management, including, without limitation, nutrient management plans, operating permits, bird mortality, water quality and air quality.
- Q. To adhere to the instructions provided by PERDUE regarding feed and water withdrawal times prior to the catching of the flock.
- R. To provide care for the health and welfare of the flock in accordance with and adhere to the PERDUE Poultry Welfare and Bio-Security Programs.

# III. OTHER TERMS

- A. PRODUCER shall perform the services hereunder using the skill, knowledge and discretion which PRODUCER possesses, informed by PERDUE's established procedures and otherwise sound farming and growing practices in accordance with industry standards.
- B. PRODUCER shall not take any action or refrain from taking any action that is likely to endanger the health and welfare of the birds consigned or otherwise result in food safety issues or concerns for PERDUE. Specifically, PRODUCER shall not administer or allow to be administered any substance to the flock, including, without limitation, use of any medication, vitamins, minerals, vaccines, disinfectant, insecticide, pesticide, rodenticide, fungicide, herbicide or other chemicals in or around the poultry houses unless authorized and instructed to do so in writing by PERDUE. If PERDUE incurs any loss, cost, expense or damage arising out of or related to PRODUCER's violation of this section, including, but not limited to expense of destroying live birds and the expense of recalling processed poultry meat PRODUCER will reimburse PERDUE for such loss, cost ,expense or damage. Such damages may be offset against any payment due to PRODUCER by PERDUE.
- C. PRODUCER is the owner of the land, buildings, equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement or that PRODUCER is in legal possession of said property and has the right and authority to use the same for the purposes of this Agreement.
- D. PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is or shall be located to inspect the flock or facilities. If PRODUCER is not satisfactorily performing PRODUCER'S obligation under the Agreement to care for, treat and maintain the flock,

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or this Agreement has been terminated in accordance with its terms, PERDUE shall be fully authorized, without prejudice to any and all other legal rights and remedies it may have, to enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is located, either to feed and care for the flock on PRODUCER's premises or to take immediate possession and to remove or dispose of said flock in such manner as PERDUE may see fit. In such event, PERDUE will be entitled to damages as set forth in Section III(B).

- E. If PERDUE enters upon the premises of the PRODUCER as permitted under D above, PERDUE may remove the flock, and/or undertake the maintenance, treatment, feeding, and care of the flock on the PRODUCER'S property, and/or do such other thing or things with reference to assuring the proper health and welfare of the flock as outlined by PERDUE'S established procedures. PRODUCER shall assume the costs for any necessary disbursements to accomplish such purposes.
- F. Title to each flock shall remain in PERDUE. PRODUCER shall not permit any lien, distraint, levy, or any other impairments to PERDUE'S title to the flock or flocks placed hereunder. PERDUE shall have the right to sell each flock consigned under this Agreement at any time without any liens, distraint proceedings, or charges whatsoever of creditors of PRODUCER.
- G. PRODUCER or a designee of PRODUCER shall have the right to be present at the weighing by PERDUE of any birds raised by PRODUCER under this Agreement, be present at the weighing of feed delivered under this Agreement, and observe the weights and measures used by PERDUE to determine the compensation due to PRODUCER under this Agreement.
- H. PERDUE has a performance improvement program ("PIP") and PRODUCER is subject to the PIP as provided herein. The terms and the performance improvement guidelines of the PIP, including, without limitation, factors considered when placing PRODUCER in the PIP, factors considered in determining if and when the PRODUCER is removed from the PIP (and placed back in good standing), and when the Agreement will be terminated as a result of the PIP, are set forth in Attachment B.
- I. PRODUCER understands and agrees that PERDUE will determine, in its sole and absolute discretion:
  - a. the breed of chickens PRODUCER will receive;
  - b. the number and density of chickens in each flock delivered to PRODUCER's farm:
  - c. the size, weight and age of the chicken to be produced;
  - d. the time for processing of each flock; and
  - e. the date, time and estimated interval of placement for future flocks.



Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock, PRODUCER shall notify the PERDUE Flock Advisor as set forth in Section II(I).

J. PRODUCER acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement will be retained by PERDUE in electronic file format only.

# IV. PRODUCER'S INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- A. PRODUCER'S obligations outlined in this Agreement are for purposes of providing service with respect to PERDUE'S poultry. Therefore, this is a service contract and not a contract of employment and PERDUE and PRODUCER are each independent contractors. Neither party, nor their agents or employees, shall be considered to be the employees of the other for any purpose whatsoever.
- B. PRODUCER is exclusively responsible for the performance of PRODUCER'S obligations under this Agreement. The employment, compensation, and supervision of any persons by PRODUCER in the performance of such obligations is a matter of PRODUCER'S sole discretion and responsibility. PRODUCER accepts full and exclusive liability for payment of any and all applicable taxes for workers' compensation insurance, unemployment compensation insurance, or old age benefits or annuities now or hereafter imposed by any governmental agency, as to PRODUCER and all persons as PRODUCER may engage in the performance of this Agreement. Said taxes shall be paid directly by PRODUCER and shall not be chargeable to PERDUE. PRODUCER agrees to hold PERDUE harmless from any liability with respect to any such taxes or other charges.

## V. TERM; TERMINATION

- A. For the convenience of not having to initiate a new Agreement after each flock, this Agreement shall continue until the Agreement is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER as provided herein.
- B. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason, including default, provided that at least ninety (90) days prior written notice be given to the other party. The parties further agree that once written notice of termination is provided, PERDUE shall not be required to deliver chicks to PRODUCER'S farm during the 90-day time period once a flock is removed from PRODUCER'S farm.
- C. Any termination as a result of a default by a party shall not relieve the defaulting party of any liability to the other as a result of any default hereunder occurring prior to termination. In the event this contract is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER, all amounts owing to PERDUE or PRODUCER will be payable immediately, or shall be paid as otherwise described in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of

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- D. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by PERDUE at any time upon written notice to PRODUCER for any of the following reasons:
  - a. PRODUCER abandons a flock or neglects to provide feed, water, proper house management or care, which abandonment, neglect or failure to provide care threatens the health and welfare or existence of a flock;
  - b. Death of PRODUCER;
  - c. PRODUCER uses abusive or threatening language to any PERDUE representative or threatens or causes physical harm to any PERDUE representative, or in any other way impedes or interferes with PERDUE representatives in the performance of their duties;
  - d. PRODUCER fails to comply with applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes;
  - e. PRODUCER terminates its business as a producer for PERDUE;
  - f. PRODUCER transfers an ownership interest in its business without PERDUE's consent, has disposed of or attempted to dispose of a flock or attempts to encumber or mortgage a flock;
  - g. PRODUCER uses any feed, medications, vaccinations or other supplies other than those provided by PERDUE in violation of Sections II(C) and/or III(B);
  - h. PRODUCER becomes insolvent or has filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy or an involuntary bankruptcy has been filed against PRODUCER, which petition has not been promptly discharged;
  - i. PRODUCER makes any public statements or comments regarding PERDUE or its brands that are false or defamatory;
  - j. PRODUCER's farm has been without chickens for more than one hundred eighty (180) days;



- k. PRODUCER fails to comply with the PERDUE Poultry Welfare and Bio-Security Programs;
- 1. Economic necessity for either or both parties ("Economic necessity" includes, but is not limited to, threat of economic and/or financial harm, impending bankruptcy, bankruptcy, and/or disease outbreaks);
- m. PRODUCER allowing or maintaining poultry, fowl, wild birds, and/or exotic birds on the farm other than PERDUE's poultry; or
- n. PRODUCER creating and/or contributing to a threatened and/or actual biosecurity hazard.
- E. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by PRODUCER at any time upon written notice to PERDUE for any of the following reasons:
  - a. PERDUE uses abusive or threatening language towards any of PRODUCER's or threatens or causes physical harm to any of PRODUCER's representatives, or in any other way impedes or interferes with PRODUCER's representatives in the performance of their duties;
  - b. PERDUE fails to comply with applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes related to the performance of this Agreement;
  - c. PERDUE makes any public statements or comments regarding PRODUCER that are false or defamatory; or
  - d. Economic necessity for either or both parties ("Economic necessity" includes, but is not limited to, threat of economic and/or financial harm, impending bankruptcy, bankruptcy, and/or disease outbreaks).
- F. PRODUCER shall have a right to cancel this Agreement until 12:00 Midnight of the third business day after the day on which PRODUCER signs this Agreement. Notice of cancellation under this Section V(F) shall be given in writing by PRODUCER to PERDUE by certified mail, return receipt requested, which shall be posted before termination of the right to cancel under this Section V(F) to the following address:

Perdue Foods LLC Attn: Live Production / Grow-out Management PO Box 1537 Salisbury, MD 21802-1537

# VI. COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

- A. The procedures in this Section VI shall govern any and all complaints or disputes between PERDUE and PRODUCER arising out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, resulting from, or relating in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law, equitable and/or statutory claims. The Complaint Resolution Procedure is as follows:
  - Step 1: The PRODUCER shall first present his or her complaint to the local PERDUE Flock Advisor within three (3) working days from the date of the alleged complaint or problem, or within three (3) working days from the date the PRODUCER becomes aware of an alleged compliant or problem, whichever occurs first. If the PERDUE Flock Advisor cannot immediately solve the problem, he or she will, in consultation with the Growout Manager and Live Production Manager, respond to PRODUCER'S complaint or problem within five (5) working days.
  - Step 2: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 1, the PRODUCER shall call the PERDUE Director of Live Operations within three (3) working days of the unsatisfactory response to discuss the problem, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes has been violated. Within three (3) working days of contacting the PERDUE Director of Live Operations, the PRODUCER shall confirm, in writing, his/her conversation with the Director of Live Operations, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes, has been violated. The PERDUE Director of Live Operations will respond in writing to PRODUCER'S complaint within five (5) working days upon actual receipt of the written complaint. If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in this Step 2, proceed to Step 3, as applicable. For all other complaints or disputes, Section VI's complaint resolution procedure has been exhausted.
  - Step 3: If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 2 and the dispute regards a settlement or a payment pursuant to a settlement, all complaints or problems regarding such settlement, payment pursuant to such settlement, and any documents utilized in support of the settlement, will be reviewed by a Peer Review Committee no later than ten (10) working days after the date of PERDUE'S response under Step 2. The Peer Review Committee shall consist of four (4) PERDUE producers who are situated in close geographical proximity to the aggrieved PRODUCER, and are not related to the aggrieved PRODUCER or otherwise interested in the finances under this Agreement. The Peer Review Committee members shall include two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by the aggrieved PRODUCER and two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by PERDUE. The Peer Review Committee shall make a non-binding written recommendation to PERDUE and the PRODUCER which will be distributed to PERDUE and the PRODUCER within three (3) working days of the meeting. PERDUE and the



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PRODUCER will have five (5) working days to either accept or reject the Committee's recommendation. In the event the Committee does not agree on a recommendation, PERDUE Management will have the discretion to resolve the issue, taking into consideration the interests of both parties. If either PERDUE or the PRODUCER reject the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, then the Parties have exhausted Section VI's complaint resolution procedure. Neither PERDUE nor the PRODUCER are required to accept the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution. If PERDUE and the PRODUCER agree upon the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, such resolution of the complaint or dispute shall be reduced to writing and signed by PERDUE and the PRODUCER.

B. The purpose of the Complaint Resolution Procedure is to establish an effective mechanism for the fair and equitable resolution of complaints and disputes between the parties. Therefore, except in cases of undue hardship, PRODUCER agrees to participate as a Peer Review Committee member, as described in the Complaint Resolution Procedure, to resolve disputes regarding settlements or payments pursuant to settlements involving other PERDUE Producers situated in close proximity to PRODUCER.

#### MISCELLANEOUS TERMS VII.

- Unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement, PERDUE and PRODUCER shall not be held responsible for damages to the other caused by delay or failure to perform hereunder when such delay or failure is due to fires, strikes, acts of God, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults due to labor, feed, or fuel shortages, which are due to a natural disaster (including, but not limited to, fire, flood, windstorm, or hailstorm) which cannot be reasonable forecasted or protected against.
- B. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall for any reason and to any extent, be found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but rather shall be enforced to the maximum extend permissible under applicable law, so long as and to the extent that such enforceability does not materially adversely affect the mutual rights and obligations to the parties hereunder.
- C. Prior Agreements/Entire Agreement/Release. This Agreement supersedes, voids and nullifies any and all previous Poultry Producer Agreements and all other previous agreements governing the relationship between PRODUCER and PERDUE. THE PRODUCER AND PERDUE HEREBY RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL CLAIMS THAT THEY MAY HAVE AGAINST EACH OTHER UNDER OR ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO ANY AND ALL PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT(S), PERFORMANCE OR LACK THEREOF, AND/OR REPRESENTATIONS MADE BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER ENTERING INTO ANY PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT. This Agreement, and any Attachments hereto, constitute the entire

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agreement between the parties, and those documents supersede all oral statements and other communications made before the execution of those documents. PRODUCER acknowledges that in entering into this Agreement and/or its Attachments, he/she has not relied upon any statements that are not contained in this document, and/or the Attachments hereto.

- D. <u>No Modification Except in Writing</u>. The parties agree that this Agreement and the Attachments hereto may not be modified except in writing signed by both PERDUE and PRODUCER.
- E. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Maryland except to the extent that doing so is prohibited. Any action or proceeding brought by either party hereto that is related to this Agreement shall be brought in the state or federal courts of the United States located in the county in which the PRODUCER'S farm is located.
- F. By executing this Agreement PRODUCER represents and warrants that he/she has read and acknowledged the terms of this Agreement and has been afforded the opportunity to consult with third-parties including, but not necessarily limited to, attorneys, financial advisors, and family, before entering into this Agreement and Attachments. By signing this Agreement, PRODUCER represents, warrants and agrees that he/she has made an informed decision with respect to the Agreements and Attachments hereto.
- G. An electronic copy of this Agreement (such as a PDF version), when signed by the PRODUCER and PERDUE, will be considered an "original" document for all purposes.
- H. This Agreement is personal to the PRODUCER and is not transferable or assignable by PRODUCER without the written consent of PERDUE. Should PRODUCER sell or lease an ownership interest in his or her business, this Agreement will automatically terminate, unless PERDUE has consented to the assignment of this Agreement, and PRODUCER will make no representation that PERDUE will continue to supply the new owner or lessee with flocks. PERDUE will be under no obligation to supply PRODUCER's successor(s), assign(s), lessee(s) or new owner(s) with flocks. PERDUE may require, as a condition of the approval of the transfer of PRODUCER's farm, by sale, lease or other assignment, that this Agreement is assigned and accepted by PRODUCER's transferee.
- I. Each party agrees that it will not make use of the Confidential Information except in the performance of this Agreement, and will not disclose any of the Confidential Information. Further, each party will take all necessary and appropriate measures to protect and maintain the Confidential Information disclosed to it. As used herein, "Confidential Information" shall mean any and all oral or written information relating to PERDUE's or PRODUCER's processes, methodologies, financial and cost



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information, and other related information and data. Confidential Information shall not include (i) information which at the time of disclosure is in the public domain, and (ii) after disclosure becomes part of the public domain through no violation of this section, or (iii) is acquired by the receiving party from a third person, provided that the receiving party does not know or have reason to know that such information was acquired by such third person under an obligation of secrecy involving the disclosing party or (iv) information required to be disclosed by court order or by law, or (v) information independently developed by a party. These obligations shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

- J. If more than one person is identified as the PRODUCER, the obligations of each such person hereunder shall be joint and several.
- K. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PRODUCER</u>. PRODUCER agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold PERDUE, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives harmless against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, losses, actions, and expenses, including injury to any employee of or to any property of PERDUE, proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER or his agents, employees, sub-contractors or parties under its control, in the performance of PRODUCER's duties hereunder. PRODUCER further agrees to indemnify, defend and hold PERDUE harmless from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, and actions, including federal, state, or local administrative actions, rulings and all other actions of any nature whatsoever which are in any manner caused by or which result from the presence of the birds on the premises of PRODUCER, including, but not necessarily limited to matters involving emission complaints, disposal complaints, or pollution complaints, violation of law, and any negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- L. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PERDUE</u>. PERDUE agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the PRODUCER from and against any claims, damages, liabilities, losses and expenses for personal injury or property damage (to property other than chicks or feed) proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PERDUE in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- M. THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS. PERDUE PROVIDES ANY THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS, SUCH AS MEDICINES AND VACCINES, "AS IS" AND DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AS TO THOSE ITEMS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY MANUFACTURER.
- N. Exclusion of Incidental, Consequential, and Certain Other Damages. TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, NEITHER PERDUE NOR PRODUCER SHALL BE LIABLE TO ONE ANOTHER FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, NOMINAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY OR NON-COMPENSATORY DAMAGES WHATSOEVER ARISING OUT OF

- OR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS, AND/OR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- Ο. DISCLAIMER AND WAIVER OF EXTRAORDINARY CLAIMS. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER MUTUALLY DISCLAIM AND WAIVE THE RIGHT TO PURSUE AGAINST ONE ANOTHER ANY CLASS ACTION CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION OF WHATEVER NATURE OR KIND. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER AGREE THAT EACH WILL PURSUE ANY CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION AGAINST THE OTHER ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS. AND WILL NOT LEAD, JOIN, OR SERVE AS A MEMBER OF A CLASS OR GROUP OF PERSONS BRINGING SUCH A CLAIM OR CAUSES OF ACTION.
- P. Choice of Venue. Any and all litigation between the parties that may be brought, or arise out of, in connection with or by reason of this Agreement and/or its Attachments shall be decided solely and exclusively in the state or federal courts of the United States located in the county in which the farm is located.



Q. JURY WAIVER. IF ANY MATTERS IN DISPUTE ARE TRIED, THEY WILL BE TRIED BY A JUDGE. THE PARTIES WAIVE TRIAL BY JURY AND CONFIM THAT THIS WAIVER IS A MATERIAL INDUCEMENT TO THEIR BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals to this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

PERDUE FOODS LLC

By: (Seal)

Director of Live Operations

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Producer

## ATTACHMENT B

### PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Producer is subject to the following requirements:

- 1. Producer may be placed under the Performance Improvement Program ("PIP") if Producer's flocks fail to achieve Company's minimum standards of competitiveness.
- 2. For purposes of evaluating Producer competitiveness, Company will use the average of the Producer's Adjusted Prime Cost ("APC") calculation from the Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks (the "Six Flock Average"). For purposes of clarification a Six Flock Average is determined before a Producer settles six (6) consecutive flocks. Specifically a Producer must have settled a minimum of three (3) consecutive flocks before a Six Flock Average is calculated and the Six Flock Average calculation is based on the average of the Producer's APC for such three (3) consecutive flocks. Thereafter, and until the Producer settles its sixth flock, an additional flock will be added to the calculation of the Six Flock Average. After the Producer reaches six (6) settled flocks, and thereafter, the Six Flock Average will be calculated based on Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks.
- 3. When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of a -0.0050 or worse (lower), the Producer will be placed in the PIP and be given a performance notice regarding Producer's placement into the PIP. Performance notices will be provided by Perdue's Grow Out staff at a meeting with the Producer and explaining Producer's current APC cost. Such meeting is an opportunity for the Producer in discussion with Perdue Grow Out to identify necessary actions for future flocks that may help to improve Producer's cost and flock performance and therefore may assist Producer in being removed from the PIP. These recommendations may include, if appropriate, new or upgraded equipment and other matters which may improve performance. After the meeting the Grow-out Manager and/or Live Production Manager will follow up with a certified letter to the Producer confirming Producer's placement into the PIP.
- 4. When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of -0.0075 or worse (lower), the Producer will receive notice by certified letter stating that the Producer must meet one or more of the following criteria in order to maintain a Poultry Producer Agreement with Perdue:
  - a. Settle the notice flock with an APC of -0.0025 or better (greater);
  - b. Settle the notice flock so as to improve the Six Flock Average to better (greater) than a -0.0075; or
  - c. Settle the notice flock so that at least three (3) of the flocks within Producer's Six Flock Average settled with an APC of zero or better (greater).

- 5. Producer will be subject to termination if Producer fails to meet one or more of the criteria set forth in Paragraph 4 above. All settlements, records, and communications will be reviewed by the Director of Live Operations for the applicable complex before the Agreement is terminated pursuant to the PIP.
- 6. Producer will be removed from the PIP when Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average better (greater) than -0.0050.
- 7. Factors that are considered to be beyond the Producer's control may be reviewed and may not be considered when calculating a Producer's Six Flock Average standing with Perdue. Notwithstanding, any Producer that had a preventable disaster will be held accountable for the flock cost in the Six Flock Average calculation. In addition, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or the PIP, a certified letter will be sent stating that if another preventable disaster occurs on the Producer's farm within 12 months of the above-referenced preventable disaster, the Poultry Producer Agreement will be terminated.

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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT PRODUCER AGREES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT, AND TO MAINTAIN SUCH HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT IN A STATE OF GOOD REPAIR AND OPERABLE CONDITION, TO COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS, AND CODES, AND TO PERFORM ITS SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PERDUE PROCEDURES AND SOUND FARMING AND GROWING PRACTICES.

ADDITIONAL CAPITAL INVESTMENTS. ADDITIONAL LARGE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS MAY BE REQUIRED OF PRODUCER DURING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT.

# I. PERDUE AGREES:

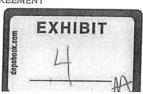
- A. To consign available birds to PRODUCER to be raised for PERDUE.
- B. To provide and deliver to PRODUCER, or arrange to have provided and delivered to PRODUCER, feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which are necessary for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- C. To provide PRODUCER with an accounting of birds consigned and supplies provided under the terms of this Agreement.
- D. To compensate PRODUCER for services provided herein as provided for in the attached "PRODUCER PAYMENT SCHEDULE," set forth in Attachment A.
- E. To provide to PRODUCER upon request thereby statistical information and data regarding PRODUCER and used by PERDUE to determine compensation paid to PRODUCER by PERDUE under this Agreement, other than information that is or relates to a trade secret.

# II. PRODUCER AGREES:

- A. To accept the birds when consigned and to raise the birds until removed at PERDUE's direction from the PRODUCER's farm.
- B. To feed, water, care for and otherwise manage the birds consigned, to provide the necessary housing, utilities, equipment, labor and supplies and to maintain such housing and equipment in a state of good repair and operable condition.

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- C. To use only the feed, medications, vaccinations, and other supplies, which PERDUE has provided, or has arranged to be provided, to PRODUCER for the health and welfare of the birds consigned.
- D. To provide an alarm system to monitor electrical power failure and abnormal temperature levels within the poultry house(s) and to maintain the alarm system in operable condition at all times.
- E. To provide for prompt and proper disposal of all dead and cull poultry resulting from normal mortalities and/or catastrophic loss in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state, and local laws, regulations and codes.
- F. To properly handle all used poultry litter in a manner meeting the requirements of federal, state and local laws, regulations and codes.
- G. To keep all records and other information required for the efficient and proper care of the birds consigned hereby including, but not limited to, records of mortality, water readings, generator logs and other audit requirements.
- H. To allow or maintain no other poultry, fowl, wild birds, exotic or domestic pet birds, caged or free running, on the premises and to rid the farm of all birds left on the farm on the same day of the final movement of birds. Furthermore, PRODUCER and PRODUCER's employees will not maintain, own or care for any other flocks, birds or poultry on any other premises unless approved by PERDUE.
- 1. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor immediately (within 24 hours) if any birds, for any reason, do not develop normally, or if there is any disease or parasitism noticeable within the flock, or if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock.
- J. To notify PERDUE Flock Advisor within 48 hours of any damage to PRODUCER's poultry houses or poultry house equipment caused by PERDUE.
- K. To sell or use any part of a flock only after a written agreement is reached between PERDUE and PRODUCER regarding any such sale.
- L. To provide properly maintained roads free of surface or overhead obstructions from the nearest county or state maintained road to and around PRODUCER'S poultry house(s) and to assume responsibility for all costs incurred if roads are not maintained properly or free of obstructions.
- M. To be present or represented when birds are delivered and during the catching and movement of each flock and to be responsible for proper house preparation prior to chick placement and chicken catching and movement, such preparation to include adequately raising or moving of equipment.

- N. To comply with any bio-security policies, audits, measures or guidelines required by PERDUE.
- O. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes applicable to PRODUCER, the services provided hereunder, the birds consigned and/or the property, buildings or equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement.
- P. To comply with any federal, state or local laws, regulations, or codes applicable to PRODUCER'S environmental management, including, without limitation, nutrient management plans, operating permits, bird mortality, water quality and air quality.
- Q. To adhere to the instructions provided by PERDUE regarding feed and water withdrawal times prior to the catching of the flock.
- R. To provide care for the health and welfare of the flock in accordance with and adhere to the PERDUE Poultry Welfare and Bio-Security Programs.

#### III. OTHER TERMS

- A. PRODUCER shall perform the services hereunder using the skill, knowledge and discretion which PRODUCER possesses, informed by PERDUE's established procedures and otherwise sound farming and growing practices in accordance with industry standards.
- B. PRODUCER shall not take any action or refrain from taking any action that is likely to endanger the health and welfare of the birds consigned or otherwise result in food safety issues or concerns for PERDUE. Specifically, PRODUCER shall not administer or allow to be administered any substance to the flock, including, without limitation, use of any medication, vitamins, minerals, vaccines, disinfectant, insecticide, pesticide, rodenticide, fungicide, herbicide or other chemicals in or around the poultry houses unless authorized and instructed to do so in writing by PERDUE. If PERDUE incurs any loss, cost, expense or damage arising out of or related to PRODUCER's violation of this section, including, but not limited to expense of destroying live birds and the expense of recalling processed poultry meat PRODUCER will reimburse PERDUE for such loss, cost , expense or damage. Such damages may be offset against any payment due to PRODUCER by PERDUE.
- C. PRODUCER is the owner of the land, buildings, equipment utilized in the performance of this Agreement or that PRODUCER is in legal possession of said property and has the right and authority to use the same for the purposes of this Agreement.
- D. PERDUE may enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is or shall be located to inspect the flock or facilities. If PRODUCER is not satisfactorily performing PRODUCER'S obligation under the Agreement to care for, treat and maintain the flock,

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or this Agreement has been terminated in accordance with its terms, PERDUE shall be fully authorized, without prejudice to any and all other legal rights and remedies it may have, to enter upon the premises of the PRODUCER where the flock is located, either to feed and care for the flock on PRODUCER's premises or to take immediate possession and to remove or dispose of said flock in such manner as PERDUE may see fit. In such event, PERDUE will be entitled to damages as set forth in Section III(B).

- E. If PERDUE enters upon the premises of the PRODUCER as permitted under D above, PERDUE may remove the flock, and/or undertake the maintenance, treatment, feeding, and care of the flock on the PRODUCER'S property, and/or do such other thing or things with reference to assuring the proper health and welfare of the flock as outlined by PERDUE'S established procedures. PRODUCER shall assume the costs for any necessary disbursements to accomplish such purposes.
- F. Title to each flock shall remain in PERDUE. PRODUCER shall not permit any lien, distraint, levy, or any other impairments to PERDUE'S title to the flock or flocks placed hereunder. PERDUE shall have the right to sell each flock consigned under this Agreement at any time without any liens, distraint proceedings, or charges whatsoever of creditors of PRODUCER.
- G. PRODUCER or a designee of PRODUCER shall have the right to be present at the weighing by PERDUE of any birds raised by PRODUCER under this Agreement, be present at the weighing of feed delivered under this Agreement, and observe the weights and measures used by PERDUE to determine the compensation due to PRODUCER under this Agreement.
- H. PERDUE has a performance improvement program ("PIP") and PRODUCER is subject to the PIP as provided herein. The terms and the performance improvement guidelines of the PIP, including, without limitation, factors considered when placing PRODUCER in the PIP, factors considered in determining if and when the PRODUCER is removed from the PIP (and placed back in good standing), and when the Agreement will be terminated as a result of the PIP, are set forth in Attachment B.
- 1. PRODUCER understands and agrees that PERDUE will determine, in its sole and absolute discretion:
  - a. the breed of chickens PRODUCER will receive;
  - b. the number and density of chickens in each flock delivered to PRODUCER's
  - c. the size, weight and age of the chicken to be produced;
  - d. the time for processing of each flock; and
  - e. the date, time and estimated interval of placement for future flocks.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any situation exists which would have an adverse effect on the health or well-being of the flock or any part of the flock, PRODUCER shall notify the PERDUE Flock Advisor as set forth in Section II(1).

J. PRODUCER acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement will be retained by PERDUE in electronic file format only.

# IV. PRODUCER'S INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- A. PRODUCER'S obligations outlined in this Agreement are for purposes of providing service with respect to PERDUE'S poultry. Therefore, this is a service contract and not a contract of employment and PERDUE and PRODUCER are each independent contractors. Neither party, nor their agents or employees, shall be considered to be the employees of the other for any purpose whatsoever.
- B. PRODUCER is exclusively responsible for the performance of PRODUCER'S obligations under this Agreement. The employment, compensation, and supervision of any persons by PRODUCER in the performance of such obligations is a matter of PRODUCER'S sole discretion and responsibility. PRODUCER accepts full and exclusive liability for payment of any and all applicable taxes for workers' compensation insurance, unemployment compensation insurance, or old age benefits or annuities now or hereafter imposed by any governmental agency, as to PRODUCER and all persons as PRODUCER may engage in the performance of this Agreement. Said taxes shall be paid directly by PRODUCER and shall not be chargeable to PERDUE. PRODUCER agrees to hold PERDUE harmless from any liability with respect to any such taxes or other charges.

## V. TERM; TERMINATION

- A. For the convenience of not having to initiate a new Agreement after each flock, this Agreement shall continue until the Agreement is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER as provided herein.
- B. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason, including default, provided that at least ninety (90) days prior written notice be given to the other party. The parties further agree that once written notice of termination is provided, PERDUE shall not be required to deliver chicks to PRODUCER'S farm during the 90-day time period once a flock is removed from PRODUCER'S farm.
- C. Any termination as a result of a default by a party shall not relieve the defaulting party of any liability to the other as a result of any default hereunder occurring prior to termination. In the event this contract is terminated by either PERDUE or PRODUCER, all amounts owing to PERDUE or PRODUCER will be payable immediately, or shall be paid as otherwise described in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of

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this Agreement, the amounts due PRODUCER hereunder shall be the amounts calculated pursuant to the other provisions of this Agreement reduced by any and all amounts paid or advanced by PERDUE, at any time, to or on behalf of PRODUCER, and further reduced by any amounts chargeable to PRODUCER hereunder or owing from PRODUCER to PERDUE. Adjustments necessary because of such payments, advance, or amounts shall be made when appropriate.

- D. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by PERDUE at any time upon written notice to PRODUCER for any of the following reasons:
  - a. PRODUCER abandons a flock or neglects to provide feed, water, proper house management or care, which abandonment, neglect or failure to provide care threatens the health and welfare or existence of a flock;
  - b. Death of PRODUCER:
  - c. PRODUCER uses abusive or threatening language to any PERDUE representative or threatens or causes physical harm to any PERDUE representative, or in any other way impedes or interferes with PERDUE representatives in the performance of their duties;
  - d. PRODUCER fails to comply with applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes:
  - e. PRODUCER terminates its business as a producer for PERDUE;
  - f. PRODUCER transfers an ownership interest in its business without PERDUE's consent, has disposed of or attempted to dispose of a flock or attempts to encumber or mortgage a flock;
  - g. PRODUCER uses any feed, medications, vaccinations or other supplies other than those provided by PERDUE in violation of Sections II(C) and/or III(B);
  - h. PRODUCER becomes insolvent or has filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy or an involuntary bankruptcy has been filed against PRODUCER, which petition has not been promptly discharged;
  - i. PRODUCER makes any public statements or comments regarding PERDUE or its brands that are false or defamatory;
  - PRODUCER's farm has been without chickens for more than one hundred eighty (180) days:

- k. PRODUCER fails to comply with the PERDUE Poultry Welfare and Bio-Security Programs;
- I. Economic necessity for either or both parties ("Economic necessity" includes, but is not limited to, threat of economic and/or financial harm, impending bankruptcy, bankruptcy, and/or disease outbreaks);
- m. PRODUCER allowing or maintaining poultry, fowl, wild birds, and/or exotic birds on the farm other than PERDUE's poultry; or
- n. PRODUCER creating and/or contributing to a threatened and/or actual biosecurity hazard.
- E. This Agreement may be immediately terminated by PRODUCER at any time upon written notice to PERDUE for any of the following reasons:
  - a. PERDUE uses abusive or threatening language towards any of PRODUCER's or threatens or causes physical harm to any of PRODUCER's representatives, or in any other way impedes or interferes with PRODUCER's representatives in the performance of their duties;
  - b. PERDUE fails to comply with applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations or codes related to the performance of this Agreement;
  - c. PERDUE makes any public statements or comments regarding PRODUCER that are false or defamatory; or
  - d. Economic necessity for either or both parties ("Economic necessity" includes, but is not limited to, threat of economic and/or financial harm, impending bankruptcy, bankruptcy, and/or disease outbreaks).
- F. PRODUCER shall have a right to cancel this Agreement until 12:00 Midnight of the third business day after the day on which PRODUCER signs this Agreement. Notice of cancellation under this Section V(F) shall be given in writing by PRODUCER to PERDUE by certified mail, return receipt requested, which shall be posted before termination of the right to cancel under this Section V(F) to the following address:

Perdue Foods LLC Attn: Live Production /Grow-out Management PO Box 1537 Salisbury, MD 21802-1537

# VI. COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

- A. The procedures in this Section VI shall govern any and all complaints or disputes between PERDUE and PRODUCER arising out of, as a consequence of, for or by reason of, resulting from, or relating in any way to the formation, execution, performance, termination, revocation, cancellation, or expiration of this Agreement or any provisions thereof, including, but not limited to, all common law, equitable and/or statutory claims. The Complaint Resolution Procedure is as follows:
  - Step 1: The PRODUCER shall first present his or her complaint to the local PERDUE Flock Advisor within three (3) working days from the date of the alleged complaint or problem, or within three (3) working days from the date the PRODUCER becomes aware of an alleged compliant or problem, whichever occurs first. If the PERDUE Flock Advisor cannot immediately solve the problem, he or she will, in consultation with the Growout Manager and Live Production Manager, respond to PRODUCER'S complaint or problem within five (5) working days.
  - If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 1, the PRODUCER shall call the PERDUE Director of Live Operations within three (3) working days of the unsatisfactory response to discuss the problem, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes has been violated. Within three (3) working days of contacting the PERDUE Director of Live Operations, the PRODUCER shall confirm, in writing, his/her conversation with the Director of Live Operations, citing the provision of this Agreement, which PRODUCER believes, has been violated. The PERDUE Director of Live Operations will respond in writing to PRODUCER'S complaint within five (5) working days upon actual receipt of the written complaint. If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in this Step 2, proceed to Step 3, as applicable. For all other complaints or disputes, Section VI's complaint resolution procedure has been exhausted.
  - If a satisfactory result has not been concluded by the procedure followed in Step 2 and the dispute regards a settlement or a payment pursuant to a settlement, all complaints or problems regarding such settlement, payment pursuant to such settlement, and any documents utilized in support of the settlement, will be reviewed by a Peer Review Committee no later than ten (10) working days after the date of PERDUE'S response under Step 2. The Peer Review Committee shall consist of four (4) PERDUE producers who are situated in close geographical proximity to the aggrieved PRODUCER, and are not related to the aggrieved PRODUCER or otherwise interested in the finances under this Agreement. The Peer Review Committee members shall include two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by the aggrieved PRODUCER and two (2) PERDUE producers chosen by PERDUE. The Peer Review Committee shall make a non-binding written recommendation to PERDUE and the PRODUCER which will be distributed to PERDUE and the PRODUCER within three (3) working days of the meeting. PERDUE and the

- PRODUCER will have five (5) working days to either accept or reject the Committee's recommendation. In the event the Committee does not agree on a recommendation, PERDUE Management will have the discretion to resolve the issue, taking into consideration the interests of both parties. If either PERDUE or the PRODUCER reject the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, then the Parties have exhausted Section VI's complaint resolution procedure. Neither PERDUE nor the PRODUCER are required to accept the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution. If PERDUE and the PRODUCER agree upon the Committee's recommendation or PERDUE Management's resolution, such resolution of the complaint or dispute shall be reduced to writing and signed by PERDUE and the PRODUCER.
- B. The purpose of the Complaint Resolution Procedure is to establish an effective mechanism for the fair and equitable resolution of complaints and disputes between the parties. Therefore, except in cases of undue hardship, PRODUCER agrees to participate as a Peer Review Committee member, as described in the Complaint Resolution Procedure, to resolve disputes regarding settlements or payments pursuant to settlements involving other PERDUE Producers situated in close proximity to PRODUCER.

# VII. MISCELLANEOUS TERMS

- A. Unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement, PERDUE and PRODUCER shall not be held responsible for damages to the other caused by delay or failure to perform hereunder when such delay or failure is due to fires, strikes, acts of God, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults due to labor, feed, or fuel shortages, which are due to a natural disaster (including, but not limited to, fire, flood, windstorm, or hailstorm) which cannot be reasonable forecasted or protected against.
- B. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall for any reason and to any extent, be found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby but rather shall be enforced to the maximum extend permissible under applicable law, so long as and to the extent that such enforceability does not materially adversely affect the mutual rights and obligations to the parties hereunder.
- C. Prior Agreements/Entire Agreement/Release. This Agreement supersedes, voids and nullifies any and all previous Poultry Producer Agreements and all other previous agreements governing the relationship between PRODUCER and PERDÜE. THE PRODUCER AND PERDUE HEREBY RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL CLAIMS THAT THEY MAY HAVE AGAINST EACH OTHER UNDER OR ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO ANY AND ALL PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT(S), PERFORMANCE OR LACK THEREOF, AND/OR REPRESENTATIONS MADE BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER ENTERING INTO ANY PREVIOUS POULTRY PRODUCER AGREEMENT. This Agreement, and any Attachments hereto, constitute the entire

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agreement between the parties, and those documents supersede all oral statements and other communications made before the execution of those documents. PRODUCER acknowledges that in entering into this Agreement and/or its Attachments, he/she has not relied upon any statements that are not contained in this document, and/or the Attachments hereto.

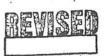
- D. <u>No Modification Except in Writing</u>. The parties agree that this Agreement and the Attachments hereto may not be modified except in writing signed by both PERDUE and PRODUCER.
- E. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Maryland except to the extent that doing so is prohibited. Any action or proceeding brought by either party hereto that is related to this Agreement shall be brought in the state or federal courts of the United States located in the county in which the PRODUCER'S farm is located.
- F. By executing this Agreement PRODUCER represents and warrants that he/she has read and acknowledged the terms of this Agreement and has been afforded the opportunity to consult with third-parties including, but not necessarily limited to, attorneys, financial advisors, and family, before entering into this Agreement and Attachments. By signing this Agreement, PRODUCER represents, warrants and agrees that he/she has made an informed decision with respect to the Agreements and Attachments hereto.
- G. An electronic copy of this Agreement (such as a PDF version), when signed by the PRODUCER and PERDUE, will be considered an "original" document for all purposes.
- H. This Agreement is personal to the PRODUCER and is not transferable or assignable by PRODUCER without the written consent of PERDUE. Should PRODUCER sell or lease an ownership interest in his or her business, this Agreement will automatically terminate, unless PERDUE has consented to the assignment of this Agreement, and PRODUCER will make no representation that PERDUE will continue to supply the new owner or lessee with flocks. PERDUE will be under no obligation to supply PRODUCER's successor(s), assign(s), lessee(s) or new owner(s) with flocks. PERDUE may require, as a condition of the approval of the transfer of PRODUCER's farm, by sale, lease or other assignment, that this Agreement is assigned and accepted by PRODUCER's transferee.
- I. Each party agrees that it will not make use of the Confidential Information except in the performance of this Agreement, and will not disclose any of the Confidential Information. Further, each party will take all necessary and appropriate measures to protect and maintain the Confidential Information disclosed to it. As used herein, "Confidential Information" shall mean any and all oral or written information relating to PERDUE's or PRODUCER's processes, methodologies, financial and cost

information, and other related information and data. Confidential Information shall not include (i) information which at the time of disclosure is in the public domain, and (ii) after disclosure becomes part of the public domain through no violation of this section, or (iii) is acquired by the receiving party from a third person, provided that the receiving party does not know or have reason to know that such information was acquired by such third person under an obligation of secrecy involving the disclosing party or (iv) information required to be disclosed by court order or by law, or (v) information independently developed by a party. These obligations shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

- J. If more than one person is identified as the PRODUCER, the obligations of each such person hereunder shall be joint and several.
- K. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PRODUCER</u>. PRODUCER agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold PERDUE, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives harmless against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, losses, actions, and expenses, including injury to any employee of or to any property of PERDUE, proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER or his agents, employees, sub-contractors or parties under its control, in the performance of PRODUCER's duties hereunder. PRODUCER further agrees to indemnify, defend and hold PERDUE harmless from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, and actions, including federal, state, or local administrative actions, rulings and all other actions of any nature whatsoever which are in any manner caused by or which result from the presence of the birds on the premises of PRODUCER, including, but not necessarily limited to matters involving emission complaints, disposal complaints, or pollution complaints, violation of law, and any negligent acts or omissions of PRODUCER in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- L. <u>Liability and Indemnity of PERDUE</u>. PERDUE agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the PRODUCER from and against any claims, damages, liabilities, losses and expenses for personal injury or property damage (to property other than chicks or feed) proximately caused by negligent acts or omissions of PERDUE in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- M. THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS. PERDUE PROVIDES ANY THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS, SUCH AS MEDICINES AND VACCINES, "AS IS" AND DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AS TO THOSE ITEMS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY MANUFACTURER.
- N. Exclusion of Incidental, Consequential, and Certain Other Damages. TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, NEITHER PERDUE NOR PRODUCER SHALL BE LIABLE TO ONE ANOTHER FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, NOMINAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY OR NON-COMPENSATORY DAMAGES WHATSOEVER ARISING OUT OF

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- OR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS, AND/OR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND/OR ATTACHMENTS.
- 0. DISCLAIMER AND WAIVER OF EXTRAORDINARY CLAIMS. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER MUTUALLY DISCLAIM AND WAIVE THE RIGHT TO PURSUE AGAINST ONE ANOTHER ANY CLASS ACTION CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION OF WHATEVER NATURE OR KIND. SUPPLIER AND PRODUCER AGREE THAT EACH WILL PURSUE ANY CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION AGAINST THE OTHER ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS, AND WILL NOT LEAD, JOIN, OR SERVE AS A MEMBER OF A CLASS OR GROUP OF PERSONS BRINGING SUCH A CLAIM OR CAUSES OF ACTION.
- P. Choice of Venue. Any and all litigation between the parties that may be brought, or arise out of, in connection with or by reason of this Agreement and/or its Attachments shall be decided solely and exclusively in the state or federal courts of the United States located in the county in which the farm is located.



Q. JURY WAIVER. IF ANY MATTERS IN DISPUTE ARE TRIED, THEY WILL BE TRIED BY A JUDGE. THE PARTIES WAIVE TRIAL BY JURY AND CONFIM THAT THIS WAIVER IS A MATERIAL INDUCEMENT TO THEIR BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals to this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

PERDUE FOODS LLC

By: (Jarry Managa)

Director of Live Operations

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### ATTACHMENT B

# PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Producer is subject to the following requirements:

- 1. Producer may be placed under the Performance Improvement Program ("PIP") if Producer's flocks fail to achieve Company's minimum standards of competitiveness.
- 2. For purposes of evaluating Producer competitiveness, Company will use the average of the Producer's Adjusted Prime Cost ("APC") calculation from the Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks (the "Six Flock Average"). For purposes of clarification a Six Flock Average is determined before a Producer settles six (6) consecutive flocks. Specifically a Producer must have settled a minimum of three (3) consecutive flocks before a Six Flock Average is calculated and the Six Flock Average calculation is based on the average of the Producer's APC for such three (3) consecutive flocks. Thereafter, and until the Producer settles its sixth flock, an additional flock will be added to the calculation of the Six Flock Average. After the Producer reaches six (6) settled flocks, and thereafter, the Six Flock Average will be calculated based on Producer's last six (6) consecutive flocks.
- When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of a -0.0050 or worse (lower), the Producer will be placed in the PIP and be given a performance notice regarding Producer's placement into the PIP. Performance notices will be provided by Perdue's Grow Out staff at a meeting with the Producer and explaining Producer's current APC cost. Such meeting is an opportunity for the Producer in discussion with Perdue Grow Out to identify necessary actions for future flocks that may help to improve Producer's cost and flock performance and therefore may assist Producer in being removed from the PIP. These recommendations may include, if appropriate, new or upgraded equipment and other matters which may improve performance. After the meeting the Grow-out Manager and/or Live Production Manager will follow up with a certified letter to the Producer confirming Producer's placement into the PIP.
- 4. When a Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average of -0.0075 or worse (lower), the Producer will receive notice by certified letter stating that the Producer must meet one or more of the following criteria in order to maintain a Poultry Producer Agreement with Perdue:
  - a. Settle the notice flock with an APC of -0.0025 or better (greater);
  - b. Settle the notice flock so as to improve the Six Flock Average to better (greater) than a -0.0075; or
  - c. Settle the notice flock so that at least three (3) of the flocks within Producer's Six Flock Average settled with an APC of zero or better (greater).

- 5. Producer will be subject to termination if Producer fails to meet one or more of the criteria set forth in Paragraph 4 above. All settlements, records, and communications will be reviewed by the Director of Live Operations for the applicable complex before the Agreement is terminated pursuant to the PIP.
- 6. Producer will be removed from the PIP when Producer settles a flock and as a result reaches a Six Flock Average better (greater) than -0.0050.
- 7. Factors that are considered to be beyond the Producer's control may be reviewed and may not be considered when calculating a Producer's Six Flock Average standing with Perdue. Notwithstanding, any Producer that had a preventable disaster will be held accountable for the flock cost in the Six Flock Average calculation. In addition, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or the PIP, a certified letter will be sent stating that if another preventable disaster occurs on the Producer's farm within 12 months of the above-referenced preventable disaster, the Poultry Producer Agreement will be terminated.